

THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF
THE TOWN OFFICERS
OF WAKEFIELD, MASS.,
FOR
THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1899;
ALSO
THE TOWN CLERK'S RECORD
OF THE
BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS
DURING THE YEAR 1898.

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1898-99.

SELECTMEN.

EDWARD A. UPTON, *Chairman*;
JAMES F. MANSFIELD, *Sec'y*; WILLIAM H. LEE,
HOYT B. PARKER, RICHARD S. STOUT.

TOWN CLERK—CHARLES F. HARTSHORNE.

TOWN TREASURER—THOMAS J. SKINNER.

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD.

BENJAMIN A. WYATT, <i>Chairman</i> ,	.	Term expires, 1901
CURTIS L. SOPHER, <i>Secretary</i> ,	.	" " 1900
CHARLES H. SPENCER,	.	" " 1899

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

HIRAM EATON, *Chairman*; WILLIS S. MASON, *Sec'y*;
WILLIAM A. CUTTER.

ASSESSORS.

ALSTEAD W. BROWNELL, *Chairman*;
CHARLES A. DEAN, FRED S. HARTSHORNE, *Sec'y*.

AUDITORS.

EVERETT W. EATON, ALBERT W. FLINT,
GEORGE W. LINNELL.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES—CHARLES E. WALTON.

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

LEVI FLANDERS, *Chief*; WILLIAM E. CADE, *Sec'y*;
EDWARD S. JACOB.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

EDWARD H. WALTON, . . . Term expires, 1899
CORNELIUS DONOVAN, . . . " " 1900
WESLEY T. HARRIS, . . . " " 1901
CHARLES F. HARTSHORNE (*ex-officio*).

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ASHTON H. THAYER, *Chairman*, . Term expires, 1901
SELIM S. WHITE, . . . " " 1899
ELIZA M. GREENWOOD, . . . " " 1899
IDA F. CARLISLE, . . . " " 1901
MELVIN J. HILL, . . . " " 1900
WILLIAM B. DANIEL, *Sec'y and Treas*, " " 1900
CHARLES E. HUSSEY, *Supt. of Schools*.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

HARRY FOSTER, Term expires, 1900
MAITLAND P. FOSTER, . . . " " 1900
PETER S. ROBERTS, . . . " " 1900
EMMA F. HOWLAND, . . . " " 1901
WILLIAM W. TAFT, . . . " " 1901
CHARLES N. WINSHIP, . . . " " 1901
OTIS V. WATERMAN, . . . " " 1899
WILLIAM E. ROGERS, . . . " " 899
ASHTON H. THAYER, . . . " " 1899
THOMAS J. SKINNER (*ex-officio*).

FISH COMMITTEE.

SAMUEL PARKER, WILLIAM HARRINGTON WILEY,
JACOB C. HARTSHORNE.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

W. H. McCAUSLAND,	Term expires, 1901
DR. J. W. HEATH,	“ “ 1900
JOSIAH S. BONNEY,	“ “ 1899

FENCE VIEWERS.

WILLIAM F. WOODS,	ROGER HOWARD,
HENRY H. SAVAGE.	

POLICE.

EDGAR A. HALLETT, *Chief*;

JAMES A. McFADDEN,	JOHN A. MELONEY,
EDWIN F. POLAND,	GEORGE H. POTTER,
CHARLES S. MERRILL,	JOHN DAY,
RUFUS F. DRAPER,	WARREN B. WILEY,
N. A. HEATH,	FRANK H. ROBINSON,
ANDREW G. ANDERSON,	C. H. R. DUNN,
EUGENE P. McDONNELL,	GLOVER DIXIE,
H. E. C. PHILLIPS,	EDWIN McDUFFIE,
JAMES J. KENNEDY,	CALVIN E. TOWNLEY,
BYRON S. FOSTER,	GEORGE W. KIMBALL.

CONSTABLES.

EDWIN F. POLAND,	JAMES A. McFADDEN,
ALVIN L. VANNAH.	

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR—SOLON WALTON.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES H. HAWES,	GEORGE H. MADDOCK,
EUGENE S. HINCKLEY.	

INSPECTOR OF MILK—JOSIAH S. BONNEY.

TOWN COUNSEL—EDWARD A. UPTON.

For list of other Town Officers, not chosen by ballot, see report of Annual Town Meeting.

LIST OF JURORS

ACCEPTED BY THE TOWN NOVEMBER 14, 1898.

Anderson, C. O.
 Abbott, George W.
 Ayscough, Charles
 Bailey, Bert L.
 Barker, Edward
 Bessey, William W.
 Biggs, William Jr.
 Blanchard, George A.
 Blanchard, John O.
 Branch, George E.
 Brownell, Alstead W.
 Bryant, Albert R.
 Cade, William E.
 Calkins, James H.
 Carter, James H.
 Cowdrey, Nathaniel
 Clapp, Frank A.
 Classen, Charles E.
 Connell, Hugh
 Connell, Joseph H.
 Donovan, Cornelius
 Duffill, A. E.
 Dwyer, Thomas E.
 Eaton, Willard G.
 Eaton, Isaac F.
 Eaton, Everett W.
 Evans, Charles A.

Fell, Thomas W. H.
 Flanley, John
 Flanders, Philip J.
 Flint, Luther W.
 Foster, Maitland P.
 Foster, Linnell
 Gilman, George K.
 Gould, William Henry
 Gove, Merrill W.
 Greany, Dennis
 Grant, Frank E.
 Greenough, Arthur
 Greenough, William S.
 Hartshorne, C. F.
 Hart, George E.
 Hayden, Frank W.
 Heath, Nathan A.
 Hickey, James A.
 Hines, Elmer R.
 Haley, George P.
 Harris, Frank S.
 Howard, Justin
 Hines, Nathaniel
 Jacob, Edward S.
 Jenkins, Augustus D.
 Jenkins, J. W.
 Kelley, Frank

Kelly, Patrick J.
 Kernan, Thomas
 Keefe, James P.
 Lee, Edward E.
 Lee, William H.
 Low, Joseph K.
 Low, Joseph K. Jr.
 Low, Michael
 Lucas, George F.
 Mansfield, Austin L.
 Mansfield, William J.
 Mansfield, James F.
 McCausland, William H.
 Miller, Edwin C.
 Nickerson, Franklin
 Oliver, Henry N.
 Painter, Thomas I.
 Parker, Moses P.
 Perkins, Joseph E.
 Perkins, William K.
 Parker, Samuel
 Purrington, E. I.
 Parker, William D.
 Roach, Henry De
 Rolfe, D. P.
 Robertson, James
 Regan, John J.

Reid, James R.
 Richardson, Solon O.
 Ringer, Josiah H.
 Smith, George E.
 Sale, John A.
 Sanborn, Oliver G.
 Savage, Harry W.
 Scovell, George H.
 Sheldon, Otis E.
 Stowell, George H.
 Simonds, Harry A.
 Stewart, John I.
 Strong, William G.
 Turner, Otis G.
 Tyzzer, George R.
 Walton, Solon
 Walton, Charles E.
 Walton, S. Leman
 Waterman, Otis V.
 Whitten, Edward E.
 White, Samuel P.
 Wiley, Peter B.
 Wiley, Wm. Harrington
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Albert J.
 Ward, Windsor M.
 Young, William F.

RECORD OF TOWN MEETINGS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1899.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1898.

PRECINCT ONE.

Meeting called to order in Town Hall at 6 o'clock a. m., by Town Clerk Charles F. Hartshorne, who read the warrant and then swore in the following election officers :

Warden, Wm. B. Daniel.

Clerk, J. Fred Parker.

INSPECTORS.

E. M. Southworth,	W. C. Skulley.
Cornelius Donovan,	J. P. Keefe,
P. B. Wiley,	M. T. Lane,
W. W. Bessey,	Edwin Stark,
C. O. Anderson,	George E. Hart.

TELLERS.

A. S. Johnston,	P. J. Kelly,
W. S. Dennison,	H. A. Simonds,
E. P. McDonnell,	W. A. Thrush,
E. S. Jacob,	W. J. Mansfield,
A. C. Wheeler,	J. A. Hickey,
Wallace Kendall,	Jas. J. Kennedy.

Polls closed at 4.30 p. m., the ballot box registering 1232 votes cast.

Total ballots cast, male 1230, women 7.

One male ballot cancelled.

PRECINCT TWO.

The following election officers were sworn by Willard G. Eaton, Warden :

T. H. Painter,	R. D. Jones,
H. W. Walton,	F. M. Staples,
N. A. Heath,	M. L. Harris,
C. W. Locklin,	A. M. Baxter,
F. H. Evans,	J. A. Sale.
R. L. Pitman,	

Polls closed at 4.30 p. m.

The result of the vote by precincts, together with the total vote, is as follows :

						Precincts.		Totals.
						1	2	
TOWN CLERK.								
*Charles F. Hartshorne,	.	.	.	.	.	784	94	878
Scattering,	.	.	.	.	.	7	000	7
Blank,	.	.	.	.	.	441	60	501
TOWN TREASURER.								
*Thomas J. Skinner,	.	.	.	.	.	825	100	925
Scattering,	.	.	.	.	.	2	000	2
Blank,	.	.	.	.	.	405	54	459
SELECTMEN.								
Hugh Connell,	.	.	.	.	.	440	11	451
*William H. Lee,	.	.	.	.	.	571	127	698
*James F. Mansfield,	.	.	.	.	.	656	65	721
*Hoyt B. Parker,	.	.	.	.	.	579	72	651
Samuel T. Parker,	.	.	.	.	.	390	47	437
William P. Shepard,	.	.	.	.	.	495	42	537
*Richard S. Stout,	.	.	.	.	.	506	54	570
*Edward A. Upton,	.	.	.	.	.	702	64	766
Edward H. Walton,	.	.	.	.	.	389	69	458
Scattering,	.	.	.	.	.	2	000	2
Blank,	.	.	.	.	.	1430	209	1639

ASSESSORS.

*Alstead W. Brownell,	708	74	782
*Charles A. Dean,	833	96	929
Will E. Eaton,	345	64	409
Henry W. Eustis,	520	39	559
*Frederick S. Hartshorne,	562	71	633
Blank,	728	118	846

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

*William A. Cutter,	862	58	920
*Hiram Eaton,	735	58	793
Alexander Glass,	340	61	401
*Willis S. Mason,	564	33	597
Thomas F. Ringer,	346	96	442
Scattering,	1	000	1
Blank,	848	156	1004

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Charles Howard Hart,	347	18	365
*Solon Walton,	762	118	880
Blank,	123	18	141

TRUSTEES OF BEEBE TOWN LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS.

*Emma F. Howland,	670	87	757
Charles F. Mansfield,	505	49	554
*William W. Taft,	625	64	689
*Charles N. Winship,	609	67	676
Scattering,	2	000	2
Blank,	1285	195	1480

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

William H. Butler,	368	23	391
*Charles E. Walton,	778	102	880
Blank,	86	29	115

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS.

*Ida F. Carlisle,	759	98	857
*Ashton H. Thayer,	809	80	889
Scattering,	14	3	17
Blank,	896	127	1023

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS.

*William H. McCausland,	843	99	942
Scattering,	2	000	2
Blank,	387	55	442

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD FOR THREE YEARS.

Silas W. Flint,	525	72	597
*Benjamin A. Wyatt,	614	61	675
Blank,	93	21	114

AUDITORS.

*Everett W. Eaton,	809	100	909
*Albert W. Flint,	809	104	913
*George W. Linnell,	834	91	925
Scattering,	2	000	2
Blank,	1242	167	1409

FISH COMMITTEE.

*Jacob C. Hartshorne,	766	88	854
*Samuel Parker,	777	89	866
*Wm. Harrington Wiley,	760	87	847
Scattering,	3	000	3
Blank,	1390	198	1588

CONSTABLES.

*James A. McFadden,	965	95	1060
*Edwin F. Poland,	902	101	1003
*Alvin L. Vannah,	820	96	916
Scattering,	9	2	11
Blank,	1000	168	1168

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

James F. Curley,	423	42	465
*Charles H. Hawes,	638	59	697
*Eugene S. Hinckley,	624	69	693
*George H. Maddock,	662	67	729
Scattering,	1	000	1
Blank,	1348	225	1573

FENCE VIEWERS.

*Wm. F. Woods,	.	.	.	.	.	22	0	22
*Roger Howard,	.	.	.	.	.	6	0	6
James Buckley,	.	.	.	.	.	4	0	4
*Henry Savage,	.	.	.	.	.	0	8	8

LICENSE VOTE.

Yes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	424	32	456
No	.	.	.	.	.	.	668	81	749
Blank,	.	.	.	.	.	.	140	41	181

*Elected.

TOWN MEETING, MARCH 14, 1898.

Town Clerk Hartshorne called the meeting to order at 7.30 o'clock.

Article 1. To choose a moderator.

Darius Hadley was chosen moderator.

Art. 41. To see if the town will refer to the selectmen the subject of building a new bridge or repairing the old one over the Boston and Maine railroad on Linden avenue, and report at an adjournment of this meeting and then to act upon said report.

Voted. To do so.

It was then voted to take up the articles in their order.

Art. 2. To act upon the reports of town officers as published.

Voted. To accept the reports.

Art. 3. To choose all town officers not required to be chosen by ballot.

Voted. To appoint a committee of five to report at an adjourned meeting.

The committee consisted of W. G. Strong, A. W. Brownell, S. O. Richardson and J. F. Mansfield.

Art. 4. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer to hire money to pay all demands in anticipation of taxes.

Voted. To authorize the treasurer as requested.

Art. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Chester W. Eaton, Esq., chairman of the finance committee, stated that the committee had held several hearings and was prepared to report on many of the articles which came under the authority of the committee.

The following amounts were appropriated: Schools, general fund, \$29,950; contingent fund, \$2,250; books and supplies, \$2,500; poor department, \$6,000 and income from the farm and outside sources; fire department, \$3,300; municipal light board, general expenses, income from plant and \$1,500; municipal light plant, extension of gas lines, \$3,000; municipal light plant, extension of electric lines, \$500; town house expenses, receipts of hall and \$1,800; highways and bridges, \$9,000; concrete sidewalks, \$500; stone crossings, \$300; edgestones, \$250; salaries of town officers, \$4,855; miscellaneous expenses, \$4,000.

Motion to raise and appropriate \$3,800 for police department and that the night watch and police be consolidated.

Amended, to raise and appropriate \$1,200 for police.

Voted. To lay this matter on the table.

Voted. To lay matter of town solicitor on the table until after article 17 is acted on.

Voted. To raise and appropriate \$4,000 for miscellaneous expenses, and that the selectmen be authorized to pay legal and other expenses, not exceeding \$500, contracted by the water committee in appearing before a committee of the legislature in opposition to the petition of an increase of stock for the Wakefield Water Co.

A motion to reconsider lost.

Voted. To adjourn to March 21 at 7.30 o'clock.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, MARCH 21, 1898.

Voted. To take up article 3.

A. W. Brownell, on behalf of the committee, reported as follows, and the report was accepted and adopted :

Weighers of coal and merchandise — N. E. Cutler, J. M. Perley, J. C. W. Walton, A. A. Mansfield, C. A. Cheney, A. L. Mansfield.

Surveyors of lumber — James B. Foster, Roger Howard, Hoyt B. Parker, Elwin I. Purrington, Charles H. Spencer, James A. Sederquest.

Measurers of wood — George P. Haley, George W. Kil-lorin, Henry N. Oliver, Charles Talbot, John G. Morrill, Edward E. Lee, George E. Donald, Austin L. Mansfield, Windsor M. Ward.

Field drivers — Alexander Glass, Warren F. Shedd, J. E. Hopkins, Oliver G. Sanborn, George K. Walton, John Regan, George E. Donald.

Finance committee for three years — Albert R. Perkins, Silas W. Flint, Charles A. Dean, George H. S. Driver, Edward A. Carlisle.

Voted. To take up article 5.

Voted. \$4,340 for rental of hydrants.

Voted. That the selectmen, assessors and fire engineers be a committee to consider the matter of rental of hydrants. They shall consider the question of the number and location of hydrants and shall report to the town at an adjournment of this meeting, whether any hydrants can be removed entirely with safety to property, and also as to the expediency of changing the location of any hydrants so as to protect property while lessening expenses.

The following appropriations were then made, without opposition, under the finance committee's recommendation: Military aid, \$900; soldiers' relief, \$2,900; insurance, \$600; Richardson Light Guard expenses, \$600; printing, advertising and stationery, \$1,000; interest on town debt,

\$13,500 ; Beebe town library, \$400 and dog tax ; reading room, \$175 ; common and park, \$400 ; forest firewards, \$600.

Art. 6. To see what method the town will adopt for the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Voted. On motion of Tax Collector Walton, that taxes become due October 1, 1898, and that a discount of two per cent. be allowed on all bills paid on or before that time (with allowance of three days' grace) ; that interest at the rate of six per cent. be charged on all taxes unpaid on that date, until the same are paid.

Art. 7. To see if the town will authorize its collector of taxes for the year ensuing to use all means which a town treasurer when appointed collector may use.

Voted. To so authorize the collector.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for concrete work.

Voted. To take up articles 8 and 5 together.

Voted. To reconsider the vote, acting under article 5, relating to concrete work.

Voted. \$1,000 for concrete work.

Art. 9. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to provide and organize a police department to consist of four men, a chief and three patrolmen, and raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand and eight hundred dollars therefor, or what it will do about it. Alvin L. Vannah and others.

Art. 10. To see if the town will give the money it receives from the District Court for fines to the use of the police department, or what it will do about it.

Art. 11. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to appoint a night watch and raise and appropriate money therefor, or what action it will take thereon.

Voted. To consider these articles jointly.

Voted. That the town authorize the selectmen to employ a night watch and that \$1,800 be appropriated for the purpose.

Voted. That the selectmen be authorized to appoint a chief of police for the ensuing year.

Voted. \$1,200 for the police department.

Voted. Not to consolidate night watch and police.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone article 10.

Art. 12. To determine the compensation of enginemen for the year ensuing.

Voted. \$25 per man.

Art. 13. To see if the town will appropriate two hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose of Memorial day, or what action it will take thereon. N. C. Hunter and others.

Voted. \$250.

Art. 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate twenty-five dollars for the use of the fish committee for the present year. Samuel Parker and others.

Voted. \$25.

Art. 15. To see if the town will raise and appropriate nine hundred and fifty dollars to change the grade of Park avenue from Summit avenue to a point on West Chestnut street opposite the residence of T. F. Smith, or what action it will take thereon. George M. Thompson and others.

Voted. That \$950 be appropriated for the purpose indicated in the article, to be expended when the selectmen shall receive sufficient guarantee from abutters that the town shall sustain no loss on account of land damages.

Art. 16. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to repair Park avenue from Summit avenue to Morrison road and Morrison road from Park avenue to Prospect street, or what action it will take thereon. J. P. Smith and others.

Voted. \$1,500.

Art. 17. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to employ a solicitor for the year ensuing, at a proper salary,

raise and appropriate money to pay the same, or what action it will take thereon. Alvin L. Vannah and others.

Voted. \$500.

Art. 18. To see if the town will rescind the vote passed at the annual meeting in March A. D. 1897, while acting under article 52 of the warrant, instructing the selectmen to commence an action against the Wakefield water company to recover \$2,500 paid by the town to Mrs. Atherton for injuries received by a defect in the highway, alleged to have been produced by said company.

Voted. To do so.

Voted. To take up article 2.

Voted. That it be spread upon the town records that the name on page 140 of the town report of 1897, of John O'Hea is a clerical error, and should read John O'Hare.

Art. 19. To see what action, if any, the town will take in relation to the recommendations of the fire engineers for better fire protection in the west part of the town, raise and appropriate money for the same, or what it will do about it. Levi Flanders and others.

Voted. To lay on the table.

Art. 20. To see if the town will authorize a fire alarm box to be placed at or near the corner of Byron and Gould streets, also one on Nahant street, at or near Birch Hill avenue, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or what it will do about it. Wm. E. Cade and others.

Mr. Eaton said the committee had recommended that a box be located at or near the corner of Gould and Byron streets and, on motion, \$100 was appropriated for the purpose. The committee did not deem the other box as necessary at present, and further action was indefinitely postponed.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to have the north ante-room of the town hall furnished with a sink and water for the convenience of organizations and others who rent the

hall, or what it will do about it. James F. Emerson and others.

Indefinitely postponed.

Art. 22. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to build a sidewalk on the east side of Main street, Lakeside, from Salem to Sweetser streets, or what action it will take thereon. James F. Emerson and others.

Voted. \$150, and that the work be confined to the section between G. H. S. Driver's house and Wave avenue.

Art. 23. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to continue the work on Main street, Lakeside, as ordered by the county commissioners, or what it will do about it. Harry Haskell and others.

Voted. That \$300 be appropriated for work on the east side of Main street, near the estate of Junius Beebe, in compliance with the county commissioners' orders.

Art. 24. To see if the town will authorize the park commissioners to dispose of the rockery, so called, on Main street, near Yale avenue, by auction or otherwise, or what it will do about it.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Voted. To adjourn.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, MARCH 29, 1898.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to construct a drain under Cedar street, from the junction of West Chestnut street to Albion street, with drain pipe connections for Chestnut, Auburn and Gould streets, with necessary sand catchers. Then from Albion street to follow outline of plan given in report of selectmen on West Chestnut street drain to point of beginning of said plan, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Voted. That a special committee of five be appointed by the chair to investigate the subject and employ an engineer and report at a future town meeting.

Chair appointed J. A. Hickey, Solon Walton, A. S. Atherton, A. R. Perkins and A. E. Perry.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to change over the engine house, corner of Crescent and Mechanic streets, for the accommodation of horses, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or what it will do about it.

Voted. \$1,200, and that the fire engineers be appointed a committee to carry out the vote.

Art. 27. To see if the town will place a fire alarm whistle at the municipal light plant and raise and appropriate money for the same, or what it will do about it. Wm. E. Cade and others.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to purchase horses for the fire department, raise and appropriate money for the same, or what it will do about it. Levi Flanders and others.

Voted. That \$450 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of three horses for the department, and that the fire engineers, highway surveyor and T. Libby be a committee to carry out the vote.

Motion to reconsider lost.

Article 19 was then taken up and indefinitely postponed.

Art. 29. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to build sidewalks on Murray street and repair said street, or what it will do about it.

Voted. \$200.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to place a windmill at the town farm, raise and appropriate money for that purpose, or what it will do about it.

Mr. Carter moved that \$400 be raised and appropriated, and so much as may be necessary be expended for the erec-

tion of a windmill at the farm, and that a committee be chosen to carry out the purposes of the article.

Motion to reconsider lost.

Art. 31. To see if the town will accept the bequest contained in the sixteenth section of the last will and testament of Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, late of Wakefield, for the purpose and upon the conditions therein stated, which bequest reads as follows: "I give and bequeath to the said town of Wakefield the sum of two thousand dollars to be held in trust by said town and the interest and that only to be expended in improving the old cemetery, so called, near the Congregational church, and I request that the lot where the remains of my father and mother lie may receive proper attention and the turf kept green and in good condition from this fund."

The following vote was passed on motion of Town Treasurer Skinner: "That the bequest of the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint be and hereby is accepted by the town, the principal to be held in trust and the income used as directed in her will. That the town treasurer be authorized to receive and receipt for the same and to invest the principal in such securities as shall meet with the approval of himself and the board of selectmen, and that in such investment they shall be authorized, if they deem best, to purchase the notes or bonds of the town of Wakefield. That the selectmen be authorized to take charge of the expenditure of the income in accordance with the desires of the testator as expressed in her will.

Art. 32. To see if the town will accept the bequest contained in the seventeenth section of the last will and testament of Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, late of Wakefield, for the purpose and upon the conditions therein stated, which bequest reads as follows: "I give and bequeath the said town of Wakefield the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars to be held in trust by said town, and by them invested until said town of Wakefield may, by public appropriation or private contribution or both, add a sum sufficient to erect a soldiers' monu-

ment in said town of Wakefield. Then both principal and interest are to be devoted to this object. And it is my wish, and I desire that said monument when completed, shall cost not less than the sum of twenty thousand dollars; that it may be grand in itself, symmetrical in architecture, beautiful in design and finish, attended with solid, thorough workmanship, a monument worthy of the true men to whom we dedicate it.

Voted. That the bequest of the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint of ten thousand dollars, as expressed in her will, be and hereby is accepted by the town, the same to be held in trust for the purpose named in said will. That the town treasurer be authorized to receive and receipt for the same and to invest both principal and interest in such securities as shall meet with the approval of himself and the board of selectmen, and that in such investment they shall be authorized, if they deem best, to purchase the notes or bonds of the town of Wakefield. The treasurer is also authorized to receive any further contributions from private or public sources, as suggested in the will, and to treat the same in the same manner as directed in this vote regarding the bequest of Mrs. Flint.

Voted. That a committee of seven citizens of this town be appointed at this meeting to procure designs, plans, estimated cost and all necessary information pertaining to the erection of a soldiers' monument in Wakefield. That said committee shall have full power, and when in their judgment a suitable design shall have been agreed upon by them, and sufficient funds accumulated, shall cause to be executed and erected, a monument that when completed, may be grand in itself, symmetrical in architecture, beautiful in design and finish, attended with solid, thorough workmanship, a monument worthy of the true men to whom it may be dedicated. Thus carrying out in part the wishes of the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, who, by her munificence, made the erection of a soldiers' monument in Wakefield possible; and that the monument shall cost not less than \$10,000 above the foundation.

Chair appointed the following committee: Harvey B. Evans, Stephen W. Lufkin, William L. Coon, William N. Tyler, Oliver Walton, Charles F. Hartshorne and J. Warren Poland.

Art. 33. To hear and act on the report of the selectmen in relation to accepting Cedar court as a public highway; also in relation to accepting Converse street from a point opposite Geo. H. Teague's house to the Stoneham town line.

Selectman Stout stated that Judge Upton had the report, but was unable to attend the meeting. Therefore the article was laid on the table.

Art. 34. To see if the town will accept the provisions of sections one, two, three, four and five of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes.

Voted. To so accept.

Art. 35. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money necessary to place an electric light on Salem street between Pleasant and Vernon streets, or what it will do about it. Alexander Turnbull and others.

Voted. To refer to the municipal light board with instructions to establish a street light of some description in the locality named in the article, and that the sum of \$15 be taken from the income of the light plant to pay for same.

Art. 36. To see if the town will grant a license for peddling junk to the citizens of Wakefield, or what it will do about it.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Art. 37. To see if the town will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to construct a face wall on Jordan avenue in front of the premises of George W. Braxton, or what action it will take thereon. George W. Braxton and others.

Voted. That \$100 be appropriated and expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art. 38. To see if the town will grant permission to George E. Bruerton, Samuel Myers and their associates to use for

burial purposes that portion of the Aaron Foster estate situated in the northerly portion of the town, on the east side of Vernon street, and near the Lynnfield line.

Voted. To refer the matter to the selectmen to report at an adjourned meeting or a future meeting, and it was so voted.

At this point article 41 was taken up in order to enable the finance committee to report upon it at the next meeting.

Art. 41. To see if the town will refer to the selectmen the subject of building a new bridge or repairing the old one over the Boston and Maine railroad on Linden avenue and report at an adjournment of this meeting and then to act upon said report.

Voted. To refer to finance committee.

Voted. To adjourn to next Monday evening at 7.30 p. m.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, APRIL 4, 1898.

Voted. To take up article 38.

Judge Upton, chairman of the board of selectmen, reported on behalf of the board, stating the proposed provisions made for the reservation of the front portion of the lot, to become taxable property. After a long discussion C. A. Dean moved to indefinitely postpone the subject and it was so voted by a decisive vote. A reconsideration of the vote was refused.

Article 39. To hear and act upon the report of the committee on cemetery.

Maj. Tyler, on behalf of the committee, reported that it was inexpedient to utilize any portion of the town farm for burial purposes, as the land available was too small and would provide only for temporary use. The committee, who have reported on several lots at previous town meetings, made quite an extensive report upon the land of W. S. Ripley and others between Water street and the Boston and Maine railroad, and recommended either the purchase of this

land or land belonging to Samuel T. Parker and Austin L. Mansfield on Lowell street. The Ripley land was favored more than the other, however. The land recommended is owned by the following persons: W. S. Ripley, fifteen acres; W. G. Doe of Melrose, eight and one-half acres; John W. Smith, six and one-half acres; H. L. Goldsmith, one-half acre. The price of Mr. Doe's land is \$6,500, Mr. Smith's, \$1,550 and Mr. Goldsmith's, \$100. The report was signed by Maj. Tyler, Oliver Walton and George A. Seaver.

Voted. To accept the report.

Voted. To again refer to the committee with instructions to report upon the advisability of purchasing the Foster land, Vernon street.

Art. 40. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to build Valley street extension from Hart to Nahant street, or what they will do about it. James O. Keefe and others.

Voted. To refer to the selectmen to report at an adjournment of this meeting and that they be instructed to lay out this street.

Article 41, relating to the proposed new bridge over the Boston and Maine railroad, on Linden avenue, was the next in order. The finance committee, to whom the article was referred, was given further time.

Art. 42. To see if the town will put the road bed in good condition between Albion and Gould streets and complete the sidewalk on the southerly side of said street from land of J. W. Wellman to Albion street, and appropriate money for the same. J. W. Wellman and others.

Voted. \$50.

Art. 43. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to repair the concrete sidewalk on the south side of Bryant street, and also to lay a concrete gutter, or what they will do about it. Harry Haskell, 2d, and others.

Voted. \$50 for concrete, and to indefinitely postpone all action in regard to gutter

Art. 44. To see if the town will cause to be placed near the middle of Bryant street one incandescent electric light, or what it will do about it. Harry Haskell, 2d, and others.

On motion of Mr. Perkins it was voted that the subject be referred to the municipal light board, with a request that a light of some description be placed at the point mentioned.

Art. 45. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for the repair of Bryant street, or what they will do about it. Harry Haskell, 2d, and others.

Voted. To refer to the highway surveyor to make necessary repairs.

Art. 46. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars to be used for firemen's memorial day, or what they will do about it. William A. Cutter and others.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Art. 47. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars for the purpose of putting the easterly end of Pitman avenue in safe and passable condition, or what it will do about it.

Voted. \$200, same to be expended from highway appropriation.

Art. 48. To see if the town will authorize its light board to change one provision of the rule adopted by the town November 9, 1894, article 24, wherein a minimum rate of one dollar is charged for any one month for electric lights, so the consumer will not have to pay for light he does not have. Dennis W. McCarthy and others.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Art. 50. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to make suitable gutters on Lawrence street, between Pleasant and Vernon streets, or what it will do about it. J. W. Crowell and others.

Voted. That suitable gutters be laid by the surveyor, and that the money be taken from the regular highway appropriations.

Voted. To adjourn to Wednesday evening, April 6, at 7.30 p. m.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, APRIL 6, 1898.

Art. 49. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to build a sidewalk on the northerly side of Broadway, from Lake street to Nelly street, or what they will do about it. John Kalaher and others.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Art. 51. To see if the town will build a sidewalk on the west side of Main street, from house of F. A. Edson to Melrose town line, or what it will do about it. Richard L. Pittman and others.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone.

Art. 52. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars to repair Bennett street, or what they will do about it. John B. Gaffy and others.

Voted. To refer the subject-matter of this article to the highway surveyor to make such repairs as he may think necessary, the expense to be taken from the highway appropriation.

Art. 53. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to build a bridge across the Boston and Maine railroad tracks from the continuation of Cooper street to Myrtle avenue in that part of Wakefield called Greenwood, or what they will do about it. Thomas F. Ringer and others.

Voted. To refer to a committee of five and report to the town at future meeting.

Motion to reconsider lost.

Chair appointed C. W. Eaton, Richard Britton, Wm. S. Greenough, Wm. N. Tyler and Wm. H. Lee.

Art. 39. To hear and act upon the report of the committee on cemetery.

Committee reported adversely on Foster lot.

Voted. To accept report.

No further action taken.

Art. 54. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars for the purpose of re-covering the furniture in the public reading room in accordance with the recommendation of the trustees. W. E. Rogers and others.

Voted. To refer to selectmen, and expense to be taken from miscellaneous fund.

Art. 55. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for preparing and printing lists of taxable polls and estates for the year 1898, for distribution among tax payers. Will E. Eaton and others.

Voted. To postpone indefinitely.

Art. 56. To see if the town will vote to purchase a steam road roller and appropriate money for the same. A. S. Ather-ton and others.

Voted. To postpone indefinitely.

Art. 57. To see if the town will vote to provide for relieving the centre of the town from lack of opportunity for disposing of sewage and for abating the Centre brook and cesspool nuisance by adopting a system of sewage disposal for that district, or what it will do about it.

Voted. To adjourn to April 13, at 7.30 o'clock.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, APRIL 13, 1898.

The sewer articles being under consideration at the previous meeting, it was voted to lay all of the articles relating to the subject on the table.

Article 5, relating to town appropriations, was taken up, and on motion of Chairman C. W. Eaton of the finance committee \$50 additional was appropriated for the use of the park commissioners for the purpose of changing the location of the flagstaff and repairing the same.

Acting under the same article. \$4,340 was appropriated for hydrant rental. Selectman Stout reported that the committee to whom the subject was referred unanimously recom-

mended no changes in the location of hydrants as proposed at a previous meeting.

An amendment offered by F. A. Gowen was passed, instructing the selectmen to pay no portion of the money until the hydrants have been examined by employes of the water company under the direction of the fire engineers.

Acting under article 33, Col. J. F. Mansfield, on behalf of the selectmen, reported in favor of laying out Cedar court and Converse street extension. The reports were laid on the table in accordance with the rules of the town.

Article 39, relating to the report of the cemetery committee, was then taken up. The finance committee, to whom was referred the subject, reported unanimously in favor of land on Lowell street owned by Samuel T. Parker and Austin L. Mansfield.

W. G. Strong and A. R. Perkins favored the report and it was accepted by a unanimous vote.

A vote to reconsider was lost.

It was then voted that a committee of three be appointed to act on behalf of the town in the purchase of the land with authority to receive deeds of the same and to assume the care of the cemetery until the next annual town meeting, or until such time as cemetery commissioners or trustees may be appointed. It was furthermore voted that the sum of \$5,500 be appropriated, and that the treasurer be authorized to hire money and issue notes payable in sums of \$500 each for a period of nine years commencing in 1899, and \$1000 payable in the year 1908.

Upon motion of Col. Greenough, article 32, relating to the soldiers' monument, was taken up and it was voted to authorize the committee appointed under the article to increase its membership by four additional members.

Article 41, relating to the proposed bridge across the Boston and Maine railroad, was taken up. The finance committee recommended an appropriation of \$725 for the construction of a steel bridge in place of the present wooden

structure, but a motion to that effect was lost by a vote of 52 to 59.

Selectman Stout said there must be some misunderstanding, for the old bridge was dangerous and unless the town reconsidered the vote the selectmen would close up the bridge at once. After further discussion the vote was reconsidered and the money was appropriated.

Article 60. To see if the town will grant the free use of the town hall to Post No. 12, G. A. R., for Memorial day, or what it will do about it.

Voted. To grant the request.

Art. 63. To see if the town will raise and appropriate one hundred and eighty dollars for rent of office in Flanley's block, for the school committee and superintendent of schools. Ashton H. Thayer and others.

Indefinitely postponed, on motion of the finance committee.

Art. 64. To see if the town will paint and repair the high school building and raise and appropriate money therefor, or what action they will take in the matter. Ashton H. Thayer and others.

Secretary Perkins of the finance committee stated that repairs were very much needed and moved that \$1,200 be appropriated, and a committee appointed to carry out the recommendations.

It was so voted, and the chair appointed F. O. Clark, G. H. Taylor and G. H. Teague on the committee.

Art. 65. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars to raise the sidewalk on the northerly side of Albion street, from the residence of James F. Woodward to N. E. Cutler's building, or what they will do about it. Daniel W. Hunt and others.

Voted. That the work be done by the highway surveyor, provided the abutters agree not to hold the town liable for dam-

ages, and that the money be taken from the highway appropriation.

Art. 57. To see if the town will vote to provide for relieving the centre of the town from lack of opportunity for disposing of sewage and for abating the Centre brook and cesspool nuisance, by adopting a system of sewage disposal for that district, or what it will do about it.

Art. 58. To see if the town will accept chapter 305 of the acts of the legislature of 1896, the same being the special sewerage act for Wakefield, or what it will do about it.

Art. 59. To see if the town will accept sec. 272 of chapter 417 of the acts of the legislature of 1893, the same being a part of the election laws and relating to the election of sewer commissioners, or what it will do about it.

Art. 61. To see if the town will proceed to elect by ballot three citizens of the town to serve as sewerage commissioners, one for the period of one year, one for the period of two years and one for a period of three years from the annual town meeting of 1898, or what it will do about it.

Art. 62. To see if the town will vote to issue bonds, notes or scrip to an amount not exceeding \$35,000, appropriate the same for sewerage purposes, and authorize and instruct its board of sewerage commissioners to proceed with the construction of a system of sewerage for the centre of the town, or what it will do about it. Michael Low and others.

Voted. To refer the subject-matter of these articles to a committee of five to investigate and report in print at a future town meeting; and that the committee serve without pay and are limited in regard to expenses to \$100.

Voted. That the committee be authorized to add two members to the committee if they deem it expedient.

Chair appointed Dr. J. W. Heath, R. S. Stout, M. Low, L. E. Hawes and Chas. A. Dean.

On motion of Mr. Low, a vote of thanks was extended

to the moderator for the faithful performance of his duties and \$25 was appropriated to pay him for his services.

On motion of W. F. Bowman the selectmen were directed to report on the proposed extension of Valley street at the next town meeting.

Voted. To adjourn without date.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 27, 1898.

Art. 1. To choose a moderator.

Darius Hadley was elected.

Art. 2. To hear and act on the report of the committee on building a bridge over the tracks of the Boston and Maine railroad, near Cooper street and Maple avenue, Greenwood.

Chester W. Eaton, Esq., on behalf of the committee read the report, the recommendations being substantially as outlined or indicated in articles 3 and 4. The committee personally inspected the premises and investigated the subject. The report was signed by Mr. Eaton, Richard Britton, William S. Greenough, William N. Tyler and William H. Lee. The report was accepted and articles 3 and 4 were then taken up for joint consideration.

Art. 3. To see if the town will rescind its action taken at an adjourned town meeting held December 7, 1896, under article 39 of the warrant, whereby it was voted to accept and adopt the report of the selectmen laying out a town way extending westerly from Cooper street to Myrtle avenue, and to appropriate \$1,500 for building such way and the abutments of a railroad bridge, or what they will do about it.

Art. 4. To see if the town will authorize and direct the selectmen to petition the superior court setting forth that it is necessary for the security and convenience of the public that an alteration should be made in the private way sometimes called Pearl street, crossing the Boston and Maine railroad, immediately southerly of the ledge in Greenwood, so as to avoid a crossing at grade, in order to secure a bridge over

the railroad at the place named, or in connection with a new way over said railroad in substitution for said private way, under the provisions of Chap. 428, Acts of 1890, Chap. 264, Acts of 1897, and other statutes of the Commonwealth; and authorize the selectmen to employ legal counsel in connection with such petition and subsequent proceedings thereunder; or what action the town will take in relation to the subject-matter of this petition.

Mr. Eaton reviewed the situation and stated that the committee agreed unanimously in their recommendations. Relative to article 3, it was voted to rescind the vote passed December 7, 1896, and that the unexpended balance be transferred to the general fund in the town treasurer's hands. Acting under article 4, it was voted to do as the article requested.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to macadamize West Chestnut street from the railroad crossing to the intersection of West Chestnut street with Prospect street, and to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars therefor. George W. Killorin and others.

Voted. To do so.

Voted. That the whole amount, \$3,000, be raised in the tax levy of 1899 and that notes be given payable December 1, 1899.

Art. 6. To see if the town will build a new school house in the north ward and appropriate money therefor, or what action it will take in the matter. Junius Beebe and others.

Voted. That the town build a new school house in the north ward, and that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the cost, and report at an adjourned meeting, July 11.

Chair appointed Junius Beebe, Peter S. Roberts and Wm. S. Greenough.

The following was offered: That it is the sense of this meeting that the selectmen appropriate the sum of \$50 from the miscellaneous fund to provide an entertainment for the children, July 4, 1898.

Art. 7. To see if the town will change the name of Chestnut avenue to Parker road, or what action it will take thereon.

Voted. To do so.

Art. 8. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chap. 264 of the Acts and Resolves of 1890, relating to public cemeteries, or what action it will take thereon.

Voted. To do so.

Voted. To adjourn for two weeks.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, JULY 11, 1898.

Art. 9. To see if the town will take from the table the reports of the selectmen relating to the laying out of Cedar court as a public highway, and the laying out of Converse street as a public highway, and accept and allow said reports for the purpose as therein indicated.

Voted. To take reports from the table.

The selectmen presented their reports, and it was voted to accept and adopt both reports. Reports placed on file.

The report of the committee appointed at a previous meeting to consider the new north ward school was then called for, and Col. Greenough, on behalf of the committee, read the report, which was substantially as follows :

The present school lot, situated on the corner of Cordis street and a private way running northerly from Cordis street and being a continuation of Pleasant street, contains nearly 13,000 feet of land, being about eighty-one feet on Cordis street by 158 feet on the private way, and is favorably situated as to light, air and drainage. The present school house could be moved a few feet toward the east at a small expense and be used for school purposes while the new building is under construction. We have consulted with a firm of reliable and competent architects who have prepared preliminary plans and estimates of cost for a two-room, one-story building; also for a four-room, two-story building with the second story unfinished. Estimates of cost are

based upon the figures of expert builders of long experience in school house building.

The following are in brief the main features of the building called for in the plans and estimates before mentioned: Outside dimensions 42 x 67 feet; facing Cordis street, with main entrance in centre and with an extension on the north 14 x 40 feet.

Materials: Dark red, water-struck brick, with trimmings of buff sandstone; roof covered with slate; gutters, conductors and ridges of copper; front steps and basement window sills of granite; inside finish of North Carolina hard pine; floors of Georgia hard pine; with best quality slate blackboards on school room walls.

Basement: Ten feet high; well lighted and ventilated; with cement floors; and containing two toilet rooms, two play rooms and rooms for heating apparatus and fuel.

First floor: Thirteen feet high; containing vestibule, corridors, two coat rooms, teachers' room with toilet and lavatory; stairways; and two school rooms each 28 x 32 feet. In the event of the building being built two stories, the second floor plan would be substantially the same as the first.

Our estimates of cost include plumbing, heating and ventilating; grading, fencing, and concreting the grounds; moving the old building; architects' services, including supervision; furnishing two rooms complete, and all other expenses necessary to put building and grounds in condition for use, and are as follows: For a one-story, two-room building, \$9,850; for a two-story, four-room building, second story unfinished, \$11,740.

After careful consideration of the probable future growth of the district in population, and after conferring with the school committee and with numerous citizens of the town, we are unanimously of the opinion that both good judgment and sound economy would favor the construction of a four-room instead of a two-room building, and we therefore recommend that the town choose a building committee of five citizens, one of which shall be a member of the school committee, who shall have full power and authority for and in behalf of the town to do the following acts: To move the present building as proposed in this report, and to put the same into condition for use until such time as the

new building may be ready for occupancy, when it shall be disposed of at public sale and the money received from such sale turned into the treasury of the town; and second, to build and furnish a two-story, four-room brick school building, the second floor to be unfinished, and to grade, fence, and concrete the grounds, all at an expense not to exceed the sum of \$12,000.

Voted. To accept and adopt the report.

Chair appointed on the committee of five: Junius Beebe, Peter S. Roberts, Everett G. Daland, A. H. Thayer, W. F. Young.

Voted. To authorize the committee to add the names of two practical builders.

Voted. That the sum of \$12,000 be appropriated for the erection of a school house in the north district as voted by the town under this article, and that the town treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the selectmen, to hire the sum of \$12,000 and to issue the notes or bonds of the town therefor, the same to be made payable in sums of \$500 each year for sixteen years beginning with the year 1899, and \$1,000 each year for the four years 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918, and that the said annual amounts shall be included in the tax levy of the several years from 1899 to 1918 both inclusive.

Voted. To dissolve the meeting.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 3, 1898.

Art. 1. To choose a moderator.

Darius Hadley was elected.

James A. Hickey, on behalf of the committee, made the report, which was substantially as follows:

Your committee, to whom was referred the question of Cedar street drain, with instructions to have a survey made, thoroughly investigate and report at a future meeting, have attended to that duty and report the following survey: Commencing at the north-

erly end of the culvert on Chestnut street, thence to the junction of Chestnut and Cedar streets, thence through Cedar street to Albion, thence through Albion to the culvert west of Cedar street on Albion, thence following the brook through land of the Wakefield Real Estate and Building association to a point on land of P. J. Regan, there connecting with the survey made by the selectmen in 1897. Our surveyor, Mr. Bancroft, demonstrated to the committee that it is both practical and feasible to carry over this route all surface water now entering the old drain under Chestnut street, also all water flowing through the drain from the north of Chestnut street, and in addition to that take the surface water from Chestnut street east of Cedar, also Auburn street, Gould street east and west, all surface water on Cedar street, also all the water on Albion street east of Cedar street, nearly to the Boston and Maine railroad. This plan impressed the committee favorably, as it will do away with all questions of land damages on estates between Chestnut and Albion streets.

In the investigation made by the committee it became necessary to see what could be done below Lake street, as the present water course is so level that the water does not pass away freely. The principal obstruction was found to be a dam within the works of the rattan company. We have been told that there would be no objection by the company to lowering the dam the required amount. If the water course should be dug out at a proper grade from the dam back to Lake street it would not only give a sufficient fall to free the district west of Lake street, but would also empty the Centre pond, thus abolishing the nuisance which has become so objectionable at that place.

Regarding the legal action which the town may take in the premises the committee find that the selectmen are legally constituted parties and that any vote authorizing the work to be done should be passed by the selectmen and not the town. In other words the town should vote to refer the matter to the selectmen and appropriate the money therefor. The amount recommended was \$2,500.

Voted. To accept the report.

Voted. To refer the matter to the selectmen as recommended.

That the town appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for construction of a drain pursuant to the plan recommended by the committee reporting under article 2 of the warrant for this meeting, and that the town treasurer be authorized to hire said sum by giving the notes of the town therefor, and that said sum be raised in the tax levy of the ensuing year.

Voted. To dissolve the meeting.

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 8, 1898.

Pursuant to a warrant duly drawn and served, the inhabitants of the town of Wakefield, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, the eighth day of November, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, then and there to bring in their votes on one ballot, for governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary, treasurer, auditor, attorney-general of the Commonwealth, councillor for the Fifth Councillor District, senator for the Middlesex-Essex District, representative to represent the Twenty-ninth Middlesex Representative District in the General Court, county commissioner for the County of Middlesex, two special commissioners for the County of Middlesex, district attorney for the County of Middlesex, register of probate and insolvency for the County of Middlesex, sheriff for the County of Middlesex, representative in Congress for the Seventh Congressional district.

The polling place for the voters living in precinct number one will be in the town hall, and for voters living in precinct number two, in the Greenwood hose house, situated on Oak street, and both in said Wakefield. The polls in each precinct will be open at six o'clock in the forenoon, and close at thirty minutes past four o'clock in the afternoon.

PRECINCT ONE.

Town Clerk Hartshorne called the meeting to order at six o'clock Tuesday morning. The election officers were sworn in by Mr. Hartshorne and no time was lost in opening the polls. The following officers served: Warden, William B. Daniel; deputy warden, H. B. Wiley; clerk, J. Fred Parker; deputy clerk, A.

W. Brownell; inspectors and tellers, W. J. Mansfield, Clinton O. Anderson, Cornelius Donovan, Eugene P. McDonnell, William W. Taft, George E. Hart, William A. Thrush, Arthur L. Wiley; deputy inspectors, Edward S. Jacob, Samuel T. Parker, William C. Skulley, Harry A. Simonds, W. W. Bessey, J. A. Hickey, J. F. Mansfield and C. E. Walton.

PRECINCT TWO.

The election officers were sworn in by Warden W. G. Eaton, as follows: Deputy warden, Thomas F. Ringer; clerk, Roy D. Jones; deputy clerk, H. W. Walton; inspectors, F. M. Staples, N. A. Heath; deputy inspectors, T. W. H. Fell, C. W. Locklin; tellers, J. A. Sale, A. E. Duffill, R. L. Pittman, Frank E. Evans.

Polls were declared closed at 4.30 p. m.

Result of the election, by precincts, was as follows:

GOVERNOR.					Precincts.		Totals.
					1	2	
A. B. Bruce, D.	.	.	.	.	390	15	405
G. R. Peare, S. L.	.	.	.	.	44	5	49
W. P. Porter, D. S.	.	.	.	.	9	0	9
S. P. Shapleigh, P.	.	.	.	.	15	4	19
Roger Wolcott, R.	.	.	.	.	831	149	980
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	71	6	77

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

M. T. Berry, S. L.	.	.	.	.	45	5	50
W. M. Crane, R.	.	.	.	.	782	141	923
J. L. Kilbon, P.	.	.	.	.	22	5	27
I. W. Skinner, D. S.	.	.	.	.	23	3	26
E. J. Slattery, D.	.	.	.	.	380	13	393
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	108	12	120

SECRETARY.

C. H. Bradley, D. S.	.	.	.	.	35	3	38
H. A. Inman, P.	.	.	.	.	25	5	30
Henry Lloyd, D.	.	.	.	.	342	15	357
W. M. Olin, R.	.	.	.	.	746	131	877
J. F. Stevens, S. L.	.	.	.	.	55	6	61
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	157	19	176

TREASURER.

M. M. Avery, S. L.	.	.	.	.	54	4	58
H. J. Jaquith, D.	.	.	.	.	373	18	391
E. P. Shaw, R.	.	.	.	.	726	125	851
H. M. Small, P.	.	.	.	.	32	7	39
C. W. White, D. S.	.	.	.	.	22	1	23
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	153	24	177

AUDITOR.

C. S. Grieves, D. S.	.	.	.	.	14	2	16
J. W. Kimball, R.	.	.	.	.	728	132	860
John Palme, S. L.	.	.	.	.	46	3	49
C. F. Parker, D.	.	.	.	.	363	16	379
W. E. Sanford, P.	.	.	.	.	27	6	33
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	182	20	202

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Patrick Kilroy, D.	.	.	.	.	391	11	402
H. M. Knowlton, R.	.	.	.	.	785	141	926
C. E. Spelman, S. L.	.	.	.	.	53	8	61
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	131	19	150

COUNCILLOR, FIFTH DISTRICT.

H. H. Atherton, R.	.	.	.	.	757	137	894
D. H. Maguire, D.	.	.	.	.	412	13	425
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	191	29	220

SENATOR, MIDDLESEX - ESSEX DISTRICT.

H. K. Sanderson, R.	.	.	.	.	664	125	789
E. H. Walton, D.	.	.	.	.	591	32	623
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	105	22	127

REPRESENTATIVE, TWENTY-NINTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

C. A. Dean, D.	.	.	.	.	761	109	870
W. H. McCausland, R.	.	.	.	.	558	64	622
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	41	6	47

COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Francis Bigelow, R. and D.	.	.	.	.	812	114	926
Scattering, .	.	.	.	.	2	0	2
Blanks, .	.	.	.	.	546	65	611

SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.

T. W. Hagar, D.	349	19	368
D. T. Strange, R.	650	113	763
E. E. Thompson, R.	582	108	690
G. W. Van Horn, D.	313	22	335
Blanks,	826	96	922

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

F. N. Wier, R. and D.	823	117	940
Blanks,	535	62	597

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

F. H. Folsom, D. and R.	804	117	921
Blanks,	555	62	617

SHERIFF.

H. G. Cushing, R. and D.	800	112	912
Blanks,	558	67	625
Scattering,	2	0	2

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, SEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. F. Malloney, S. L.	29	3	32
W. L. Ramsdell, D.	572	31	603
E. W. Roberts, R.	688	130	818
Blanks,	71	15	86

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 14, 1898.

Town Clerk Hartshorne called the meeting to order at 7.30 o'clock, and acting under article 1, Darius Hadley was elected moderator.

Art. 2. To revise and accept the list of jurors prepared and posted by the selectmen.

On motion of Judge Upton the names of A. G. Anderson, W. U. MacQuinn, J. A. Sanborn, J. F. Woodward, S. B. Dearborn and G. H. S. Driver were removed from the list and the names of G. E. Branch, A. D. Jenkins, A. E. Duffill,

C. F. Hartshorne, Justin Howard and D. P. Rolfe were added.

(See list of jurors.)

Art. 3. To see if the town will appropriate twenty-five hundred dollars for the support of the poor, or what it will do about it. As requested by Hiram Eaton and others.

Voted. \$2500.

Art. 4. To see if the town will make an additional appropriation for Fire Department, or what it will do about it. As requested by Levi Flanders and others.

Voted. \$850.

Art. 5 To see if the town will appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the Police Department, or what it will do about it. As requested by Edgar A. Hallett and others.

Voted. \$300.

Art. 6. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for miscellaneous expenses, or what it will do about it. As requested by James F. Mansfield and others.

Voted. \$1000.

Art. 7. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for the Highway Department, or what it will do about it. As requested by Solon Walton and others.

Voted. \$1000.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the advisability of street watering and authorize said committee to contract for a watering cart, or what it will do about it. As requested by Levi Flanders and others.

On motion of Engineer Levi Flanders a committee of three was appointed to investigate and report. The moderator appointed Mr. Flanders, J. H. Carter and William D. Deadman.

Art. 9. To see if the town will appropriate the necessary amount of money needed to put New Salem street and sidewalk in a respectable and passable condition, or what it will

do about it. As requested by George H. Stowell and others.

Voted. \$200.

Art. 10. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to macadamize Bennett street, from Main to Melvin street, and rebuild bridge or culvert on same, or what it will do about it As requested by Michael Low and others.

Voted. \$2000.

Motion to reconsider lost.

Art. 11. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars, to repair the sidewalk on the easterly side of Greenwood street between Spring street and the Melrose line; also to repair the sidewalk on the southerly side of Spring street between Greenwood street and the estate of one Gibbs, or what it will do about it. As requested by Walter Moore and others.

Voted. To refer to highway surveyor, and expense to be taken from General Highway Appropriation.

Art. 12. To see if the town will appropriate two hundred dollars to repair Crystal street, or what it will do about it. As requested by Andrew Lloyd and others.

Voted. \$200.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to purchase the lot of land on Main street opposite the Town Hall containing 32,314 square feet and bounded by Main street, Richardson ave., Foster and West Water streets, at fifty cents per square foot and appropriate money therefor and authorize the treasurer to hire money on a term of from one to ten years in payment thereof. As requested by Solon O. Richardson and others.

Mr. Eaton stated that the finance committee was not ready to report, a sub-committee having been appointed to interview Mr. Richardson. Further time was granted.

Art. 15. To see if the town will appropriate three thousand dollars for finishing and furnishing two additional rooms in

the new North Ward school building, or what action they will take in the matter. As requested by A. H. Thayer and others.

This article had also been referred to a sub-committee and further time was granted.

Art. 15. To see if the town will rescind the action taken under Art. 14 at the annual town meeting of 1897 whereby the publication of the warrants for town meetings was limited to one newspaper, and direct the selectmen to advertise the warrants in both local papers.

Voted. To rescind and direct as above.

Art. 16. To see if the town will instruct the assessors to publish a list of the polls and estates assessed in the town of Wakefield for the year 1898, in the form heretofore published, and take such further action as may be necessary in connection therewith, or what it will do about it. As requested by S. K. Hamilton and others.

Voted. To indefinitely postpone. Motion to reconsider lost.

Art. 17. To see if the town will purchase land upon which to locate the engine house situated in Montrose, now standing on leased land, or what it will do about it. As requested by Charles Talbot and others.

On motion of Mr. Eaton the subject was referred to a special committee, and the moderator appointed Messrs. Stout, Libby and Cade as the committee.

Art. 18. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen on the petition to extend Valley street from Hart street to Nahant street.

Judge Upton requested further time on all articles relating to the board of selectmen and the request was granted. At 9.30 o'clock it was voted to adjourn until next Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 21, 1898.

Article 18 was taken up, relating to Valley street extension, as petitioned for by Thomas Lally and others. E. A. Upton read the selectmen's report, which recommended that a street be laid out forty feet in width in accordance with plans made by Surveyor Bancroft. No damages asked and none awarded. Report accepted and laid over until next spring in accordance with town rules.

Art. 19. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen upon the petition to lay out and construct White avenue from Main to Pleasant street.

Mr. Upton, on behalf of the selectmen, recommended that a street forty-five feet wide be laid out, as petitioned for by John G. Aborn and others, and that \$25 be appropriated to lay a drain at the junction of Pleasant street. No damages asked and none awarded.

Art. 20. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen on the petition to lay out and construct Highland avenue, from Gould street to Jordan avenue.

Selectmen were not ready to report and further time was granted.

Art. 21. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen on the petition to extend Murray street to Albion street.

The selectmen, on petition of Everett A. Fisher and others, recommended that the alterations be made; that \$300 be paid to Archbishop Williams of Boston for land to be taken for the purpose, and that \$100 be appropriated for the work.

The reports on articles 19 and 21 were laid over, with that of article 18.

Art. 22. To see if the town will appropriate one hundred and fifty dollars for the Park Commissioners, or what they will do about it. As requested by C. H. Hawes and others.

Voted. \$150.

Art. 23. To have the town authorize the Board of Light Commissioners to place an electric light corner of Elm street and Elm square.

Voted. To so authorize.

Art. 24. To see if the town will appropriate twelve hundred dollars to build Valley street extension, or what they will do about it. As requested by Thomas Lally and others.

Voted. To recommend that the subject-matter be placed in the annual warrant next spring.

Art. 25. To see what action if any the town will take to refund the tax of \$46.25 paid by mistake by Alice E. Lake, November 5, 1896, on real estate situated in Greenwood.

Judge Upton stated that it was quite a complicated case. Through the fault of someone, Mrs. Lake paid the tax on the wrong piece of property, and the mistake was not discovered until her property was advertised for sale by the collector. Mrs. Lake was then obliged to pay the taxes on her own property in addition to the other. She had failed in her endeavor to settle the matter and appealed to the selectmen to recover the money paid out. Mr. Upton moved that the matter be referred to a committee of three. And it was so voted.

Chair appointed E. A. Upton, C. A. Dean and Hiram Eaton to report at next town meeting.

Art. 26. To hear and act upon the report of committees.

The moderator suggested that no reports could be made unless rule 16 of the municipal by-laws was suspended. John Moran objected, therefore nothing could be done under the article.

Article 13, relating to the purchase of the Richardson lot, was then taken up. Mr. Richardson moved that the article be indefinitely postponed, as the town could not legally act on the article.

No action taken on this matter.

Article 14, related to an additional appropriation of \$3000

to furnish two more rooms in the north ward school house. Mr. Perkins stated that both the Lincoln and Hamilton schools were crowded and in the spring additional accommodations would be needed, and the north ward school would relieve the demand. The committee had investigated the subject and recommended that \$2,500 be appropriated, and that bonds be issued payable in five years, commencing in 1910. And it was voted.

Article 6, relating to an additional appropriation for miscellaneous expenses, was taken up, on motion of Mr. Perkins, who offered as an amendment that \$170 additional be appropriated for the windmill on the town farm, to be taken from miscellaneous.

Art. 27. To see if the town will authorize its treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to hire a sum of money sufficient to meet the appropriations made at this meeting on a term not exceeding one year, and to issue the notes of the town therefor.

Voted. To authorize the treasurer to hire \$8,370 as indicated in the article.

The meeting dissolved at 9.30 o'clock. The meeting passed a vote of thanks in recognition of Mr. Hadley's services.

STATISTICS

—FROM—

TOWN CLERK'S REGISTER.

Births Registered in the Town of Wakefield during the Year 1898.

Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.	Occupation of Father.
Jan.				
2	Taylor,	Male,	Edward H. and Harriet F. (Safford),	Freight agent,
4	Louise Haley,	Female,	George P. and Mary E. (Munkland),	Merchant.
5	Olive Ransom Pearson,	Female,	Hiram D. and Emily (Ransom),	Salesman.
5	Helen Hopkins,	Female,	John W. and Mary (Murray),	Laborer.
6	Woodland,	Male,	James B. and Adelia M. (Orde),	Laborer.
8	Mildred Mabel Geraldine Anderson	Female,	Melvin H. W. and Mary E. (Heath),	Shoe finisher,
9	Nellie Wood Kilday,	Female,	John C. and Sarah A. (Greeley),	Clerk.
14	Edna Maud McIntire,	Female,	Walter J. and Ida M. (Clark),	Shoe maker.
15	Irene O'Leary,	Female,	Cornelius and Albina J. (Cuff),	Chair maker.
17	Bertha Evelyn Anderson,	Female,	Walter F. and Evelyn E. (Hicks),	Provision dealer,
19	Ruth Chapin,	Female,	C. H. and Mabel (Johnson),	Grocer.
23	Mary Lillian Hurley,	Female,	John and Mary (Sullivan),	Rattan worker,
28	Lillian Amelia Anderson,	Female,	Oscar A. and Ellen V. (Anderson),	Painter.
30	*Mary McDonald,	Female,	Unknown.	
31	Marguerite O'Connor,	Female,	John J. and Sarah E. (Preston),	Salesman.
2	Lawrence,	Female,	Mariner S. and Lillian C. (Weston),	Salesman.
3	Bessie McGlory,	Female,	John and Mary (Meade),	Engineer.
3	Stanley Earl Collinson,	Female,	John W. and Lillie (Stuart),	Optician.
4	Joyce,	Male,	Martin and Mary E. (Duhig),	Laborer.
5	Curtis Jess Taggart,	Male,	David and Josephine (Jess),	Plumber.
10	Ernest Walter Carlson,	Male,	Axel and Hilda (Crassa),	Rattan worker,
11	Russell Dutton,	Male,	William H. and Ruth (Blakeman),	Salesman.
11	James Ernest White,	Male,	Foster and Emma (Doucette),	Teamster.
14	Margaret McDermott,	Female,	John and Margaret (Lemon),	Fireman.
16	Maud Little,	Female,	Charles G. and Maud (Hamilton),	Clerk.
16	Blanche Little,	Female,	William A. and Emma J. (Morse),	Driver Am. Ex.
17	Hopkinson,	Female,	Alfred W. and Etta G. (Snall),	Motorman,
19	Marion Frances Kenrick,	Female,	Henry J. and Nelly G. (McCarthy),	Mason,
20	Ruth Morgan,	Female,		
Feb.				

20	Wilfred Clarence Snow,	Male,	William N. and Sarah A. (Wellman),	Machinist.
20	Engene Joseph Sullivan,	Male,	John H. and Nora (Hart),	Laborer.
22	Harry W. Smith,	Male,	Alden H. and Helen (West),	Carpenter.
24	William Daniel O'Neil,	Male,	John and Mary (Murphy),	Salesman.
28	Robert Edward Everett Harper,	Male,	Henry E. and Malvina A. (Lawson),	Chair maker.
March	1 Thomas Edward Doucette,	Male,	John E. and Annie F. (Sullivan),	Stone mason.
4	Arthur Joseph Coakley,	Male,	Michael and Annie (Curran),	Teamster.
7	William Bartlett Marshall,	Male,	L. Winfield and Grace E. (Aborn),	Civil engineer.
7	Albina Keefe,	Female,	Daniel and Mary (Casey),	Stone mason.
8	† † Welch,	Female,	Thomas J. and Julia (Chamberlain),	Shoe maker.
10	Elmer F. Lofstrom,	Male,	Hjalma F. and Sophie (Bjondal),	Painter.
10	Daniel Joseph Dugan,	Male,	Timothy and Kate (Sullivan),	Rattan worker.
18	Willis Clyde Albee,	Male,	Arthur G. and Mamie M. (Archibald),	Machinist.
19	Freelove,	Male,	James L. and Alice L. (Hamlin),	Electrician.
20	Joseph Harry Lefavre,	Male,	Louis and Fannie (Muse),	Fish dealer.
21	Clayton Girard Sanford,	Male,	Charles E. and Cora F. (Savage),	Designer.
24	Marion Morse Porter,	Female,	Frank M. and Grace (Ambler),	Printer.
24	Timothy Joseph Wrenn,	Male,	Dennis and Elizabeth (Crowley),	Rattan worker.
26	Rose Hildegrade West,	Female,	Leonard A. and Hilda (Larsen),	Reed worker.
28	Edith Gertrude Livernore,	Female,	Henry and Addie S. (Ward),	Salesman.
28	Marguerite Carter,	Female,	Lewis E. and Maud (Heath),	Grocer.
29	Walter Thomas Shanahan,	Male,	Thomas F. and Fannie (Mander),	Reed worker.
31	Upham,	Male,	Charles N. and Florence (King),	Laborer.
31	John Howard Marshall,	Male,	William H. and Ellen (Kearns),	Metal worker.
April	5 Agatha Cooney,	Female,	Joseph R. and Agatha (McCarty),	Moulder.
11	Fern Evelyn Bennett,	Female,	Arthur M. and Lucy E. (Dyer),	Laborer.
14	Paul Edward Haniglin,	Male,	Jeremiah J. and Fannie (Doucette),	Polisher.
15	Alonsen Chase Phillips,	Male,	Harry E. C. and Margaret A. (Allen),	Farmer.
15	Susan Elizabeth Jeffrey,	Female,	Charles R. and Delia (Doucette),	Painter.
16	Reth Lillis,	Female,	William H. and Nettie (Williams),	Banker.
17	Ruth Chase,	Female,	Henry and Mary (White),	Salesman.
17	Harold Francis Sullivan,	Male,	Charles and Margaret (Walsh),	Motorman.
20	Bartholomew Benedict Clynes,	Male,	Bartholomew and Honora (Dignan),	Rattan worker.
24	Thomas Francis Fleming,	Male,	John P. and Lizzie (Dunn),	Rattan worker.
25	Lillian M. Young,	Female,	Charles S. and Lillian (Shew),	Clerk.

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Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.	Occupation of Father.
April 30	Marshall,	Female,	J. Anson and Chlora R. (Dudley),	Farmer.
May	1 Mary Margaret Burns,	Female,	James and Mary (Chamberlain),	Mason.
	3 Mary Esther Dulong,	Female,	Peter A. and Mary C. (Landry),	Laborer.
	3 Eva May Berry,	Female,	Shepard and Mary M. (Campbell),	Laborer.
	4 Laura May Dulong,	Female,	Raymond D. and Mary J. (Muse),	Reed worker.
	4 Allen Quinn,	Male,	James and Annie (Campbell),	Brass finisher.
	5 Lillie Winslow Emerson,	Male,	Charles S. and Belle (Winslow),	Salesman.
	6 Arthur Melvin Ferris,	Male,	Fletcher M. and Josephine (Gustafson)	Coachman.
	8 Pearl Jackson,	Female,	Henry W. and Addie L. (Webster),	Merchant.
	11 Doucette,	Male,	Mark R. and Mary E. (Dulong),	Reed worker.
	15 John Dewey Maloney,	Male,	John J. and Nora G. (Sullivan),	Laborer.
	17 Angelina Dora McKie,	Female,	William A. and Christine (Gillis),	Builder.
	20 Joseph Chester Berry,	Male,	Gilbert and Annie (Chambers),	Laborer.
	21 Katherine Louise Gowing,	Female,	Henry G. and Mary E. (Baleh),	Dealer in hides.
	21 *Emma Wheeler,	Female,	Unknown.	
June	21 *Jane Russell.	Female,	Unknown.	
	22 Gertrude McFadden,	Female,	James A. and Ellen (Coleman),	Night watchman.
	31 Trefry,	Female,	Percival F. and Lulu B. (Cunningham)	Salesman.
	1 William Henry Sullivan,	Male,	Timothy J. and Julia (Donovan),	Chair maker.
	2 Robert Augustus Lawder,	Male,	Robert J. and Jennie S. (Horton),	Electrician.
	2 Florence May Dulong,	Female,	Simon and Arline (Dulong),	Painter.
	3 Abbie Glidden Richardson,	Female,	Arthur J. and Abbie (Glidden),	Detective.
	4 Edna Heath Cloudman,	Female,	Charles J. and Mary J. (Houston),	Farmer.
	4 Edith Mary Cloudman,	Female,		
	5 Jeremiah William Doucette,	Male,	Jeremiah W. and Jennie E. (Doucette)	Stone mason.
	5 Leo Vincent Doyle,	Male,	Patrick F. and Margaret T. (Foley),	Section hand.
	6 Helen Cameron Smith,	Female,	Albert W. and Lena (Cameron),	Painter.
	8 James Patrick Murphy,	Male,	Timothy F. and Mary K. (Love),	Moulder.
	14 Elizabeth Frances Hourihan,	Female,	Thomas and Elizabeth (Welch),	Rattan worker.

July	15	Thomas Warrn Sullivan,	Male,	Daniel S. and Nora (Looney),	Cane washer.
	17	Eula Lorraine Foster,	Female,	Linnell and Annie G. (Prebble),	Beef and Poultry dealer.
	17	Nellie Obarski,	Female,	Albert and Mary (Marcinice),	Chair maker.
	18	John Joseph Doucette,	Male,	Joseph and Theresa (Moulesong),	Ice man.
	22	Fred Bryant Swett,	Male,	Fred M. and Daisy L. (Bryant),	Conductor.
	22	Harold Thomas Thrush,	Male,	Thomas A. and Mabel E. (Cobb),	Reed worker.
	23	Mary Minnie Deveau,	Female,	Reuben and Madeline (Malonson),	Laborer.
	*1	Gertrude Leonard,	Female,	Unknown.	
	1	Mary Hazel Kelly,	Female,	Michael J. and Sarah (Maguire),	Rattan worker.
	5	David Henry Burbine,	Male,	John and Margaret (Muse),	Laborer.
	6	Charles Raymond Hanscom,	Male,	Charles E. and Annie M. (Thompson),	Grain dealer.
	6	Muse,	Male,	Felix J. and Rose (Moulesong),	Laborer.
	7	Edward Dana Sabine,	Male,	Edward D. and Elizabeth A. (Hurlburt)	Civil engineer.
	7	Charles Thomas Kirke,	Male,	Lawrence H. and Mary E. (McLaughlin)	Grain dealer.
	9	Clara Elizabeth Muse,	Female,	Joseph H. and Jessie M. (Simpson),	Currier.
	10	Martha Julia Seaward,	Female,	Charles J. and Clara G. (Hall),	Carpenter.
	10	Clara Mabel Seaward,	Female,	Elba W. and Sadie A. (Douglass),	Carpenter.
	19	Marion Baxter Moore,	Female,	Caleb A. and Bessie (Grozier),	Fish dealer.
	19	Marion Alice Eastman,	Female,	William and Kate (Kelleher),	Rattan worker.
	20	Mary Donegan,	Female,	Alvin M. and Mary L. (Knight),	Salesman.
	21	Clifton Sargeant Woodman,	Male,	Patrick and Delia (McGreal),	Mat maker.
	23	Thomas Kenney,	Male,	John H. and Amelia J. (Elsiger),	Teamster.
	24	Bertha Bannon,	Female,	James P. and Julia (McCarthy),	Rattan cutter.
	24	Joseph Arthur Keefe,	Male,	James J. and Mabel (Pentz),	Printer.
	26	Marguerite Leggett	Female,	Unknown.	
	27	*Charles Gardner,	Male,	Nicolas and Mary (de Cecca),	Stone cutter.
	28	Bessie Elizabeth Sullo,	Female,	Edwin F. and Eva Hopkinson,	Night watchman.
	30	Eva Hopkinson Poland,	Female,	George E. and Ida T. (Greenwood),	Shoe maker.
	31	Eugenia Smith Ramsdell,	Female,	William S. and Frances D. (Adams),	Clerk.
	3	Ralph Hall Dennison,	Male,	Enmet J. and Sadie C. (Doleman),	Electrician.
	3	Albert Doleman Doane,	Male,	James W. and Gertrude L. (Atwood),	Expressman.
	3	Robert Doleman Doane,	Male,	Thomas and Mary (Hopkins),	Rattan worker.
	5	Paul James Cavanaugh,	Male,	Walter H. and Alberta (Heyward),	Clerk.
	6	John McGrath,	Male,		
	8	Velma Heyward Eaton,	Female,		
Aug.					

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Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.	Occupation of Father.
Aug.	9 Ruth Severance,	Female,	Walter M. and Harriet (Chadsey),	Expressman.
	11 Eleanor Pemberton Gates,	Female,	J. Havelock and Evelyn (Gammous),	Tailor.
	15 William Adrien Downing,	Male,	David and Nellie (Sullivan),	Chair maker.
	19 Edith Irene Regan,	Female,	John N. and Julia E. (Coakley),	Moulder.
	21 Marjorie Preston,	Female,	William P. and Emma E. (Currier),	Book keeper.
	21 Gladys Hortense Crew,	Female,	Pleasant S. and Mary L. (Braxton),	Laborer.
	22 Mary Winnifred Brown,	Female,	Charles H. and Margaret E. (Hopkins)	Foreman.
	22 Thomas Proctor Sullivan,	Male,	John J. and Ellen (Proctor),	Iron worker.
	23 William Wesley Wannanake,	Male,	Stephen J. and Alice (Beers),	Blacksmith.
	23 *Etta May Day,	Female,	Unknown.	
	26 Percy Urwin Holoway,	Male,	Thomas H. and Selina F. (Mace),	Gilder.
	27 Helen Gertrude Bailey,	Female,	Warren A. and Agnes (Corcoran),	Electrician.
	28 Sarva Frank Stamegna,	Male,	Joseph and Mary (de Cecca),	Fruit dealer.
	28 Emily Edgna Sheldon,	Female,	Chauncey D. and Lizzie J. (Palmer),	Pattern maker.
	29 Josephine Frances Stoddard,	Female,	Henry W. and Ada (Ednands),	Shoe maker.
	31 Irene Elizabeth Gibbons,	Female,	Thomas and Mary (Foley),	Chair maker.
Sept.	2 George Arthur Malonson,	Male,	John I. and Dell (Doucette),	Shoe maker.
	2 *Leroy Logan Cummings,	Male,	Munday and Millie (Hatfield),	Rattan worker.
	5 Leon Allen Blanchard,	Male,	William and Nellie M. (McKinnon),	Signal tender.
	5 Henry William Surrette,	Male,	Peter and Jennie (Milliken),	Laborer.
	10 Doris Katherine Edgar,	Female,	Don W. and Katherine A. (McCaskell),	Musician.
	12 John Mortimer Butler,	Male,	Aloysius P. and Nora F. (Sullivan),	Moulder.
	12 Norman Cecil Singer,	Male,	George R. and Elizabeth A. (Bilby),	Clerk.
	14 Catherine Violet McIntosh,	Female,	William and Fannie (Doherty),	Teamster.
	15 John Harold Surrette,	Male,	John L. and Annie (McCormack),	Carpenter.
	18 Leonard Gates,	Male,	Amos M. and Nora (Millerick),	Laborer.
	18 Charles Roy McWhirter,	Male,	Josiah and Ella M. (Bishop),	Woodworker.
	20 Winifred Gwinn Gibson,	Female,	Robert E. and Margaret (Remington),	Painter.

21	Franklin Emerson Sederquest,	Male,	Albert E. and Virginia (Thorp),	Teamster.
21	John Francis Glynn,	Male,	John J. and Mary (Hickey),	Bookbinder.
22	Agnes Lillian Dixon,	Female,	Nathan L. and Mabel E. (McKie),	Clerk.
22	Florence Olive Eager,	Female,	George B. and Alice E. (Moore),	Iron moulder.
28	Philip Stanley O'Donnell,	Male,	Joseph P. and Mary (Campbell),	Cardman.
2	Mary Julia Deveau,	Female,	Edmund and —	Laborer.
5	Jones,	Male,	Linwood B. and Gussie E. (Lee),	Grain dealer.
5	John Francis Coffey,	Male,	John and Mary (McGourty),	Laborer.
9	Frederick Sinclair Crosby,	Male,	Frank M. and Althea M. (Mitchell),	Piano tuner.
10	Thomas Curley,	Male,	James F. and Annie E. (Keefe),	Brass finisher.
10	Phoebe A. Emerson,	Female,	Ora E. and Josephine M. (Littlefield),	Expressman.
11	Joseph Albert Smith,	Male,	Samuel M. and Addie (Doucette),	Stone mason.
12	Ethel Elizabeth Greenyer,	Female,	Edward and Alice B. (Badger),	Shipper.
12	Mary Elizabeth White,	Female,	Roland and Matilda (Muse),	Stone mason.
12	Helen Marie Paulson,	Female,	Carl and Elizabeth (Johnson),	Chair maker.
13	Louis Jesse Carlson,	Male,	John W. and Matilda (Nelson),	Painter.
14	John William Talbot,	Male,	John T. and Mary A. H. (Balmain),	Laborer.
15	Colin Balmain Joe,	Male,	David and Mary A. H. (Balmain),	Engineer.
17	Louise Adams Whitten,	Female,	Winsor and Rose (Nesmith),	Dry goods dealer.
18	Gladys Louise Vannah,	Female,	Alvin L. and Myrtle (Hitchcock),	Gateman.
19	Priscilla Augusta Rich,	Female,	Edward E. and Carrie M. (Murdock),	Fish dealer.
22	Howard Arthur Collinson,	Male,	Francis E. and Lavinia (Smith),	Optician.
25	Stephen Mantor Graves,	Male,	James M. and Alice S. (Weaver),	Salesman.
27	Bell,	Male,	Thomas G. and May E. (Mallhewman),	Ink manufacturer.
28	Alice Lilla Bisbee,	Female,	Ulysses G. and Nelly (Creed),	Laborer.
29	Myron Edward Norton,	Male,	Frank L. and Lucy R. (Emerson),	Clerk.
1	Mary Elizabeth Lally,	Female,	Patrick J. and Annie T. (Casey),	Laborer.
1	John Nelson Hennigar,	Male,	Jonathan and Mary J. (Mitchell),	Laborer.
3	Nelson Clark Glidden,	Male,	Albert J. and Grace E. (DeRonde),	Box maker.
4	Vileda Josephine Maxwell,	Female,	Joseph E. and Mary L. (Killorin),	Salesman.
5	Pond,	Male,	George A. and Bertha M. (Dorey),	Laborer.
5	Thelma Bridge,	Female,	Charles and Frances E. (Gleason),	Salesman.
6	Lillian Ryder,	Female,	Charles H. and Annie T. (Donohue),	Moulder.
6	David Andrew Doucette,	Male,	Jeffrey B. and Matilda (Doucette),	Laborer.
8	Gladys Veronica Ritchie,	Female,	William H. and Julia (Eager),	Shoe maker.

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Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Names of Parents.	Occupation of Father.
Nov,	9 Warren Emerson Branch,	Male,	George E. and Emma A. (Bailey),	Real estate.
	12 Mary Elizabeth White,	Female,	Roland and Matilda (Muse),	Teamster.
	13 Edith May Whittle,	Female,	George E. and Mary (Landry),	Motorman.
	16 Mary Murphy,	Female,	Timothy and Nellie (Connell),	Chair maker.
	16 Beatrice Blanche King,	Female,	John T. and Anna K. (Dane),	Fish business.
	18 Charles Edward Morau,	Male,	Joseph F. and Kate (Dorey),	Mat maker.
	18 Marion Josephine Dowling,	Female,	George and Catherine R. (Hobin),	Carpenter.
	19 Doris Marguerite Palmer,	Female,	Frank A. and Lilla (Lassell),	Telegraph operator.
	20 Gus Arthur Carlson,	Male,	Carl E. and Tyra (Johnson),	Shipper.
	20 Seabury,	Male,	Frank W. and Kate (McPhee),	Painter.
	21 Lillian Margaret Creedon,	Female,	Daniel and Catherine (Doyle),	Blacksmith.
	21 Mildred Hanright,	Female,	Effie,	
	25 Francis Gregory Carr,	Male,	James and Mary (White),	Sexton.
	27 John Howard Muse,	Male,	Simon and Addie (Shaw),	Stone worker.
	2 Elaine Vint,	Female,	Alfred W. and Bertha J. (Jackson),	Stenographer.
	4 Edward Fay,	Male,	Michael J. and Mary L. (Mahon),	Reed worker.
	9 John William Burke,	Male,	James W. and Mary E. (Flynn),	Engineer.
	9 Michael Hurtin,	Male,	James and Julia (Hourihan),	Laborer.
	12 Margaret Mary Cronin,	Female,	James and Hannah (Hartnett),	Weaver.
	13 Bertha Ackerman,	Female,	William and Louise (Stanton),	Mfr. of stove polish.
	14 Margaret Mamie Burrage,	Female,	George and Agnes (Doucette),	Mason.
Dec.	17 Fred Norman Coggin,	Male,	Charles H. and Frances (Shepard),	Fireman.
	20 Augustine Christopher Barry,	Male,	William R. and Kate F. (Geary),	Rubber worker.
	24 Christopher Barrett,	Male,	Jeremiah and Julia (Murphy),	Rubber worker.
	25 Amy Lillian Litchfield,	Female,	Edgar A. and Lillian (Messengar),	Upholsterer.
	26 Pauline Wendell Chellis,	Female,	Olin F. and Harriet (Wendell),	Salesman.
	26 Mary Elizabeth O'Brien,	Female,	John and Elizabeth (Creaney),	U. S. army.
	27 Jessie Latretta Woods,	Female,	William H. and Catherine (McNeil),	Carpenter.
	28 Bertha May Hanwright,	Female,	Edward A. and Mary E. (Ayer),	Brass worker.
	29 Florence Louise Ohlson,	Female,	Peter E. and Selma (Ramberg),	Rattan worker.
	30 William James Newland,	Male,	William J. and Margaret (Kennedy),	Baker

*State foundlings.

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Jan. 12, {	Edwin F. Poland, J. Eva Hopkinson,	Wakefield, "	Essex, Saco, Me.,	Jeremiah and Lucy, Laurent and Mary J.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Jan. 12, {	Henry W. Livermore, Adelaide S. Ward,	Wakefield, "	Boston, Cambridge,	Henry J. and Martha A., Thomas M. and Rosina,	First, "	Edward Mansfield, at Wakefield.
Jan. 15, {	William Darling, Jr., Carrie Young,	Wakefield, Monson, Me.	Wakefield,	William and Sarah W.,	First, Second,	Henry M. Heywood at Monson, Me.
Jan. 19, {	Bradford F. Blaisdell, Leona B. Carter,	Wakefield, Wilmington,	Saco, Me, Wilmington,	Bradford W. and Clara A. Wm. W. and Henrietta V.	First, "	Elijah Harmon, at Wilmington
Jan. 23, {	John J. Sullivan, Ellen B. Proctor,	Wakefield, Boston,	New York, N. Y. Pt Hawkesbury, [C. B.,	Jeremiah and Margaret, Michael and Ellen,	First, "	Michael J. Owens, at Boston.
Feb. 5, {	Edmond Deveau, Maggie Doucette,	Wakefield, "	Nova Scotia, "	Joseph and Harriet, John B. and Julia,	First, "	J. E. Millerick, at Wakefield.
Feb. 14, {	George G. Collins, Henrietta S. (Hayden) [Merrill,	Wakefield, "	Exeter, N. H., Amherst, N. H.	Andrew W. and Abbie, Frank W. and Elizabeth,	Second, "	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Feb. 15, {	James E. Stewart, Annie C. Munier,	Wakefield, "	Liverpool, N. S., Wakefield,	James E. and Mary, John B. and Cecelia,	First, "	Wm. T. O'Connor, at Wakefield.
Feb. 22, {	Albert N. Darling, Mary J. Bryant,	Wakefield, "	Malone, N. Y., Boston,	James G. and Harriet S., Stephen N. & Harriet N.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Feb. 28, {	Laurio D. Darling, Hattie E. Messer,	Wakefield, "	Middleboro, Methuen,	William and Sarah, James and Lydia,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.

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Date of Marriage.	Names of Bride and Groom.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Place of Birth.	Names of Parents.	What Marriage.	By whom Married.
Mar. 19, {	Timothy J. Sullivan, Julia Donovan,	22 Wakefield, 21 "	Ireland, "	John and Ellen, John and Mary,	First, "	J. E. Millerick, at Wakefield.
Mar. 29, {	Adelbert A. Coates, Nellie A. Carrier,	42 Wakefield, 28 Beverly,	Stratton, Vt., Chester, N. H.,	Ezekiel P. and Eliza P., John and Abigail,	First, "	Albert B. Coates, at Beverly.
Apr. 18, {	Amos White, Fannie Robbins,	23 Wakefield, 22 "	Nova Scotia, "	Isalah and Mary A., Joseph and Matilda,	First, "	Wm. T. O'Connor, at Wakefield.
Apr. 20, {	Daniel F. Donohue, Rose E. Gates,	33 Wakefield, 31 "	Ireland, Halifax, N. S.,	John and Johanna, John and Kate,	First, "	W. Dewees Roberts at East Boston.
Apr. 24, {	William J. Lee, Nora Curran,	30 Wakefield, 28 "	Carlisle, Ireland,	John and Hannah, John and Margaret,	First, "	J. E. Millerick, at Wakefield.
Apr. 27, {	Philip Morin, Mattie Ennis,	43 Stoncham, 22 Providence,	Grandhine, Ca., Newburyport,	Paul and Matilda, Seth and Carrie,	Second, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
May 1, {	Peter A. LeFave, Theresa Muse,	24 Wakefield, 22 "	Nova Scotia, Nova Scotia,	David and Julia, Paul and Fannie,	First, "	J. E. Millerick, at Wakefield.
May 14, {	Frederick Card, Henrietta Desmond,	22 Wakefield, 20 "	Dover, N. H., Three Rivers, Ca.,	Andrew P. and Martha A. David and Malvina,	First, "	George H. Smith, at Boston.
May 16, {	James A. Melendy, Christina (McGreg- gor) Myers,	29 Wakefield, 25 "	Reading, P. E. Island,	Dudley and Elizabeth, John and Mary,	Second, "	Putnam Webber, at Wakefield.
May 17, {	Michael J. Daley, Gertrude M. Zwiker,	30 Reading. 31 Wakefield,	Reading, Gloucester,	Michael and Mary, George W. and Lucy M.,	First, "	C. H. Learoyd, at Wakefield.

May 22, {	George S. Kinnear, Rosa E. Nichols,	52 Everett, 34 Stoneham,	Moncton, N. B., Augusta, Me.,	George L. and Hannah, Thomas and Julia H.,	First, "	Putnam Webber, at Wakefield.
May 25, {	David Downing, Ellen Sullivan,	23 Wakefield, 20 "	Ireland, "	John and Julia, Thomas and Catherine,	First, "	Wm. T. O'Connor, at Wakefield
June 1, {	Bertram L. Reynolds, Leonora B. Mayer,	25 Wakefield, 21 "	So. Boston, Providence, R. I.,	Robert S. and Susan E., Joseph and Mary C.,	First, "	Chas. H. Learoyd, at Wakefield.
June 5, {	Frank W. Seabury, Catherine McPhee,	28 Wakefield, 25 "	Yarmouth, Me., P. E. Island,	William D. and Louise, Joseph and Theresa,	First, "	J. E. Millerick, at Wakefield.
June 7, {	Elmer E. Taylor, Clara A. Eaton,	23 N. Reading, 15 "	Turners Falls, No. Reading,	Edwin E. and Annie F., Charles E. and Athelinda,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.
June 8, {	John P. Butler, Mary E. Walsh,	25 Wakefield, 27 Malden,	Wakefield, Ireland,	Edward and Mary, James and Ellen,	First, "	W. J. Casey, at Malden.
June 15, {	Mortimer L. Harris, Jessie V. Vose,	25 Wakefield, 28 "	Wakefield, Halifax, N. S.,	Stephen F. and Georgiana Charles F. and Jessie A.,	First, "	Paul Sterling, at Wakefield.
June 15, {	Louis A. Pickering, Grace M. Donald,	29 Malden, 20 Wakefield,	Cambridge, Foxcroft, Me.,	Mark and Sarah, George E. and Abbie M.,	First, "	Walter A. Evans, at Malden.
June 22, {	Joseph M. Donette, Jessie L. Muse,	20 Wakefield, 19 Reading,	Reading, Nova Scotia,	Timothy and Matilda, David and Susan,	First, "	J. E. Millerick, at Wakefield.
June 26, {	Patrick Desmond, Mary Ryan,	29 Wakefield, 27 "	Ireland, "	Daniel and Margaret, James and Margaret,	First, "	James F. McNiff, at Wakefield.
June 29, {	Herbert P. Wheeler, Lucy A. Hill,	26 Wakefield, 25 "	Ludlow, Vt., England,	James P. and Evelyn M., James and Catherine,	First, "	Henry E. Stimson, at Boston.
June 29, {	Frank Corcoran, Mary F. Preston,	46 Wakefield, 41 "	Portsmouth, N. H., Wakefield,	Owen and Mary A., Joseph and Margaret,	Second, First,	Wm. T. O'Connor, at Wakefield.

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July 18, {	Wm. W. Woodman, Clara M. (Pixley)	63 45	Peabody, Nubery, Vt.,	William and Phoebe, Aaron and Mariet A.,	First, Second,	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
July 20, {	Charles O. Wanamake, [Lull, Arvilla M. Black,	31 25	Hampton, N. B., St. Martin, N. B.,	William M. and Sarah J., James E. and Sarah,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
July 24, {	John King, Annie Dame,	21 19	New Bedford, Orchard,	Francis and Annie, Lewis and Justina,	First, "	James F. McNiff, at Wakefield.
July 27, {	Timothy Sliney, Mary Connolly,	22 20	Wakefield, Woburn,	Timothy and Mary, John and Mary,	First, "	Jas. J. Keegan, at Woburn.
July 28, {	Aaron A. Butler, Clara S. Bryer,	30 28	Wakefield, Saugus,	Aaron and Abby A., Samuel G. and Susan C.,	First, "	Geo. A. Phinney, at Cambridge.
Aug. 3, {	Patrick J. Murphy, Catherine A. Low,	32 37	Wakefield, "	John and Mary, James and Mary,	Second, First,	James F. McNiff, at Wakefield.
Aug. 13, {	William W. Hart, Lalia A. M. Bishop,	31 22	Reading, Framingham,	Philip D. and Hannah M., Jonathan C. and Jane M.,	Second, First,	C. H. Hickok, at Wakefield.
Aug. 17, {	L. Oliver Williams, Edna M. Stevens,	24 21	Wakefield, Colebrook, N. H.,	Francis E. and Annie M., Merritt and Martha J.,	First, "	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Sept. 5, {	John J. Ellis, Lina E. Phillips,	29 24	P. E. Island, Nova Scotia,	William and Barbara, Leuben L. and Jane M.,	First, "	Miner R. Deming, at Boston.
Sept. 5, {	George W. Page, Florence A. Lamphier,	42 43	Nashua, N. H., Lynn,	Tristram and Phebe, Owen A. and Lucina,	Second, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.

Sept. 7, {	Lyman C. Newell, Carrie E. Strong,	30 Lowell, 30 Wakefield,	Pawtucket, R. I., Wakefield,	George W. and Ellen F., William G. and Elizabeth,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Sept. 7, {	Frank McDuffee, Mabel O. Davenport,	25 Wakefield, 22 "	Alton, N. H., Chelsea,	Franklin and Hannah, Charles F. and Flora,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.
Sept. 7, {	Clarence M. Clinkard, Alice H. Sheldon,	22 Wakefield, 18 "	Tremont, Me., Wakefield,	William H. and Ella F., Otis E. and Lois J.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Sept. 7, {	Edward H. Sheldon, Cynthia Tewksbury,	31 Wakefield, 27 Boston,	Haverhill, Eastport, Me.,	Otis E. and Mary J., Edward C. and Sarah C.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Sept. 7, {	Earl V. Gossner, Kate Crowley,	23 Lynn, 25 Wakefield,	Milton, Pa., Wakefield,	Joseph and Elizabeth, William and Catherine,	First, "	Wm. T. O'Connor, at Wakefield.
Sept. 9, {	Henry A. Bloom, Essie M. Kingman,	26 Reading, 26 Wakefield,	So. Boston, Wakefield,	Alex. S. & Caroline F., Arthur H. & Martha R.,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.
Sept. 14, {	Edward E. Brown, Annie E. Hodgkins,	23 Reading, 20 Wakefield,	Reading, Medford,	H. Walter and Ella, Fitz and Annie M.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Sept. 14, {	Fred J. Hadley, Adelaide M. Webber,	25 Malden, 20 "	Chelsea, Somerville,	William P. and Eva J., William P. and Mary A.,	First, "	Putnam Webber, at Wakefield.
Sept. 21, {	Samuel G. Colson, Gertrude E. Burrill,	37 Wakefield, 30 "	Belfast, Me., Brooklyn, N. Y.,	Samuel and Christine C., Alonzo P. & Caroline M.,	First, "	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Sept. 21, {	Howard J. Gilmour, Sadie J. Davidson,	27 Wakefield, 20 "	Nova Scotia, "	James and Hannah, James and Jemima,	First, "	Putnam Webber, at Wakefield.
Sept. 24, {	Robert E. Hart, Georgiana E. Rowe,	25 Wakefield, 22 Dover, N. H.	Newburyport, Salisbury,	Hugh and Bridget, Henry and Sarah,	First, "	John E. Dan, at Dover, N. H.
Sept. 28, {	J. Charles Doyle, Josephine Gannon,	25 Wakefield, 25 Boston,	Stoneham, Ireland,	Cornelius and Eliza, Michael and Catherine,	First, "	John T. Mullen, at Boston.

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Oct. 2, {	Ralph de Cececa, Mary Cienzo,	28 Wakefield, 20 Somerville,	Italy, "	Luigi and Congetta, Graconio and Philomena,	First, "	F. Ubaldus, at Boston.
Oct. 4, {	John K. Chase, Laura M. C. Graves,	72 H'm's'd, N. H. 66 "	Exeter, N. H., Sandown, N. H.,	Joseph and Ruth, Jonathan and Myra B.,	Second, "	Wm. H. Eaton, at Wakefield.
Oct. 10, {	Harry P. Coddington, Dorothy H. Emerson,	26 Boston, 24 Wakefield,	Cincinnati, O., Adrian, Mich.,	William and Alice, E. Eugene and Sophia,	First, Second,	Charles R. Bliss, at Wakefield.
Oct. 18, {	Patrick Looby, Mary E. Bowman,	32 Ft. Hancock, 28 Wakefield,	Dublin, Ca., Fort Gibson, I. T.,	Edmund and Margaret, John J. and Julia,	First, "	Wm. T. O'Connor, at Wakefield.
Oct. 19, {	George F. Way, Jr., Florence L. Hackett,	23 Lee, Me., 20 Wakefield,	East Corinth, Vt., Portland, Me.,	George F. & Adelaide B., George G. and Nancy Y.,	First, "	Charles H. Jearoyd, at Wakefield.
Oct. 19, {	Harry E. D. Gould, Annie C. Perkins,	27 Wakefield, 19 "	Charlestown, Brooklyn, N. Y.,	Nathan J. and Selynda, William C. & Isabella M.,	First, "	C. H. Hickok, at Wakefield.
Oct. 21, {	William R. Haskell, Clara I. White,	22 Wakefield, 22 "	Chelsea, Wakefield,	William O. and Mary, Ira E. and Sarah I.,	First, "	Henry A. Westall, at Wakefield.
Oct. 23, {	John J. Donohue, Alice McNamara,	22 Wakefield, 19 "	Ireland, Cambridge,	Patrick and Mary, John and Sarah,	First, "	Jas. F. McNiff, at Wakefield.
Oct. 26, {	Ashley E. Cooper, Amy C. Anderson,	30 Wakefield, 22 "	Wakefield, "	Reuben L. & Caroline A., John A. and Sophia M.,	First, "	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Oct. 27, {	Warren A. Bailey, Agnes G. Corcoran,	24 Merrimac, 21 Wakefield,	Merrimac, E. Boston,	Albert and Georgiana, Frank and Sarah,	First, "	Otis Hughson, at Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 30, {	Charles H. Gerrior, Nellie J. Walsh,	28 Boston, 23 Wakefield,	Cape Breton, Ireland,	Charles H. & Josephine, Morris and Ellen,	First, "	Wm. F. O'Connor, at Wakefield.
Nov. 9, {	Arthur T. Lamont, Jessie P. Davidson,	23 Wakefield, 22 Malden,	Medford, Malden,	George T. & Elizabeth M., John and Mary,	First, "	Wm. H. Hackett, at Malden.
Nov. 11, {	Miner Haines, Catherine McGillioray,	24 Wakefield, 21 "	Nova Scotia, "	Kingsley and Hannah, Hugh and Mary,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.
Nov. 12, {	Nels Johnson, Bertha Carlson,	24 Wakefield, 25 "	Sweden, "	John and Louisa, Carl and Christina,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Nov. 16, {	Walter M. Smith, Mary L. Perry,	24 Wakefield, 22 Malden,	C. Elizabeth, Me Provincetown,	James and Ada, Frank B. and Rose A.,	First, "	Walter A. Evans, at Malden.
Nov. 16, {	John A. H. McDonald, Annie I. Scott,	20 Wakefield, 22 "	Nova Scotia, "	A. Laucklin and Rachel, William and Martha,	First, "	F. S. Hunnewell, at Reading,
Nov. 17, {	Charles A. Williams, Nellie M. Cloutman,	21 Wakefield, 18 Stoneham,	Charlestown, Stoneham,	Charles and Ellen M., Charles E. and Sadie,	First, "	Chas. E. Beals, at Stoneham.
Nov. 20, {	Thomas S. Douglas, Brigie A. Nolan,	25 Wakefield, 25 Woburn,	Wakefield, Ireland,	Donald D. & Margaret F., Patrick and Catherine,	First, "	Henry A. Walsh, at Woburn.
Nov. 20, {	Gilman Merritt, Ellen O'Brien,	26 Wakefield, 23 "	Newburyport, Ireland,	William H. and Esther, Jeremiah and Ellen,	First, "	Jas. F. McNiff, at Wakefield.
Nov. 20, {	George Ayscough, Margaret E. (Grean- [cy] Johnson,	32 Wakefield, 35 "	England, Ireland,	George and Jane, John and Grace,	First, Second,	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Nov. 23, {	Arthur Gibbons, Mary Finn,	29 Wakefield, 23 "	Ireland, "	Michael and Mary, William and Mary,	First, "	James F. McNiff, at Wakefield.
Nov. 30, {	Andrew D. Fuller, Carrie W. Clapp,	25 Boston, 26 Wakefield,	Gloucester, Boston,	Daniel W. & Luranna B., Frank A. and Juletta,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.

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Dec. 3, {	Willis F. Bethune, Minnie K. Dorey,	28 Wakefield, 24 "	Nova Scotia.	James and Annie, Thomas and Cass,	First, "	Isaiah W. Sueath, at Cambridge.
Dec. 3, {	Lewis G. Hatch, Bessie G. Whiting,	23 Wakefield, 20 "	Andover, Wakefield,	Calvin P. and Caroline, George N. and Hannah,	First, "	H. O. Hiscox, at Malden.
Dec. 3, {	Harry P. Byron, Jennie P. Watkins,	23 Peabody, 22 "	Roxbury, Beckett,	George G. and Eva, George F. and Rosa E.,	First, "	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Dec. 5, {	Melvin C. Dalton, Susie M. Bryant,	23 Reading, 23 "	Boston, Stoneham,	Melvin C. and Theresa, Loton W. and Maria L.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Dec. 7, {	George W. Reid, Mary A. Alden,	25 Wakefield, 22 "	Nova Scotia, Wakefield,	Henry and Mary, Edward and Ida,	First, "	Albert P. Davis, at Wakefield.
Dec. 10, {	Clarence H. Clay, Marcella Porter,	30 Everett, 30 Malden,	Lee, N. H., Nova Scotia,	Joseph G. and Mary A., Nathan and Sarah A.,	First, "	N. R. Everts, at Wakefield.
Dec. 21, {	Herbert F. Caswell, Sadie N. Heath,	40 Lynn, 26 Wakefield,	Portsmouth, N. H. Lynn,	Lemuel L. and Lydia S., Charles F. and Louise,	First, "	Putnam Webber, at Wakefield.
Dec. 25, {	Fred J. Black, Nellie E. Hufton,	20 Wakefield, 20 Boston,	Oxford, Me., St. Louis, Mo.,	Almond and Arabella, George F. and Mary E.,	First, "	J. G. Robinson, at Boston.
Dec. 28, {	Henry A. Feindle, Clarissa C. Abbott,	28 Wakefield, 23 "	Nova Scotia, Wakefield,	Albert and Josephine, George and Charlotte E.C.	First, "	Sam'l G. Dunham, at Wakefield.
Dec. 31, {	Joseph H. Dolan, Helen G. Fisher,	27 Wakefield, 20 "	Ireland, Boston,	Thomas and Ann,	First, "	George B. Moore, at Boston.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Wakefield during the Year 1898.

Date.	Name of Deceased.	Age.		Condition.	Birthplace.	Names of Parents.	Cause of Death.
		y.	m. d.				
Jan.	1 Mary Conway (Connolly),	90	0	Widow,	Ireland,	Unknown,	Senility.
	2 Isabelle Berrett (Campbell),	20	11	2 Married,	St. John, N. B.,	John and Margaret,	Tuberculosis.
	3 Charles F. Bickford,	67	8	7 Married,	Wakefield, N. H.,	(Charles and Mary,	Consumption.
	3 Lucella F. Foster (Power),	44	10	11 Married,	New York, N. Y.,	Rob't F. & Margaret,	Bright's disease.
	4 Julia A. Saunders (Hastings),	83	0	11 Widow,	Eastport, Me.,	John and Jane,	Apoplexy.
	7 Edward Ward,	2	5	0 Single,	Stoneham,	James and Annie,	Menigitis.
	10 Ellen Barrett (Callahan),	45	0	0 Widow,	Ireland,	Daniel and Mary,	Heart disease.
	10 Joseph Hage,	0	3	5 Single,	Wakefield,	Joseph and Anna,	Scrofula.
	12 Maurice Welch,	73	0	0 Married,	Ireland,	Thomas & Catherine,	Cancer of liver.
	15 Catherine O'Connor (Maguire)	75	0	0 Married,	Ireland,	Luke and unknown,	Senility.
	15 John Reiber, Jr.,	0	3	10 Single,	Wakefield,	John and Terzel,	Natural causes.
	17 S. Adelaide Nichols (Stowell),	51	9	20 Married,	Wakefield,	Elbridge M. & Susan M.	Angina pectoris.
	21 Albert E. Livermore,	9	6	12 Single,	Jamaica Plains,	Henry J. & Martha A.	Diphtheria.
	22 Louise Bryant,	0	0	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Frank H. and Sadie,	Premature birth.
	22 Frank Bryant,	0	0	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Frank H. and Sadie,	Premature birth.
Feb.	1 Mercy G. Parker, [kins),	75	3	2 Widow,	New Castle, N. H.	Henry and Abigail,	Pneumonia.
	1 Catherine E. Hawkes (Per-	65	8	15 Married,	Lynnfield,	John & Catherine S.,	Paralysis.
	1 John Campbell,	57	6	28	Scotland,	James and Catherine,	Thrombosis.
	2 Mary T. O'Connell (Barrett),	55	1	23 Widow,	Ireland,	James and unknown,	Heart disease.
	2 Johanna Desmond (Welch),	77	0	0 Widow,	Ireland,	James and unknown,	Heart disease.
	3 Adeline Mansfield,	0	11	23 Single,	Wakefield,	Wm. R. & Theresa,	Tubercular meningitis.
	7 Barbara W. Ahern,	19	5	29 Single,	Wakefield,	John and Kate,	Broncho pneumonia.
	9 Mary A. Minniken (Fulton),	47	6	19 Married,	England,	Hugh and Margaret,	Chron. inflam. of spine.
	9 Sophia F. Golladay (Richard-	43	5	9 Married,	Jaffery, N. H.,	Geo. W. & Amanda R.	Pneumonia.
	10 Alice M. Hurd, [son),	23	7	12 Single,	Salem,	Wm H. & Caroline S	Railroad accident.
	13 Russell D. Bayley,	0	0	2 Single,	Wakefield,	W. H. and Ruth T.,	Heart disease.
	14 Maurice Redmond,	54	0	0	Ireland,	George and Bridget,	Myocarditis.
	17 Thomas P. Lock,	78	1	8 Wid'r,	Lockport, N. S.,	Eben and Anna,	Cerebral hemorrhage.
	17 Robert S. Lawson,	20	11	0 Single,	Granville, N. C.,	Charles and Lucy,	Phthisis pulmonalis.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Wakefield during the Year 1898—Continued.

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Date.	Name of Deceased.	Age, y. m. d.	Condition.	Birthplace.	Names of Parents.	Cause of Death.
Feb.	19 Goodwin,	0 0	Single,	Wakefield,	David A. & Mary C.,	Heart disease.
	20 William C Hall,	0 3	Single,	Wakefield,	Chas. D. & Cath. A.,	Gastritis.
Mar.	26 Annie Douell (Littlefield),	92 7	Widow,	Wells, Me.,	Nathaniel & Dorcas,	Bronchitis.
	1 Katherine Doyle (Welch),	75 0	Married,	Ireland,	Thomas & Margaret,	Cancer of liver.
	3 Mary E. Lufkin (Smith),	48 5	Married,	Washington, Ill.,	Albert and Augusta,	Disease of heart.
	5 Edward A. Palmer,	56 4	Single,	Charlestown,	Asahel and Rachel,	Acute heart failure.
	7 Abina Keefe,	0 0	Single,	Wakefield,	Daniel and Mary,	Immaturity.
	14 Alexander Stewart,	47 2	Married,	Scotland,	Alexander & Agnes,	Pneumonia.
	16 Mary A. Donnelly (Adams),	68 0	Widow,	England,	John and Mary,	Heart failure.
	16 Wallace R. Smith,	0 3	Single,	Wakefield,	Wallace J. & Alice M.	Meningitis.
	18 Wright,	0 0	Single,	Wakefield,	Washburn & Edith C.,	Premature birth.
	21 Robert P. Wait,	53 7	Married,	Reading,	Winsor B. & Hannah A.	Sarcoma.
	22 Elizabeth Sweetser (Hill),	51 7	Married,	Dorchester,	Luther & Betsey E,	Cancer.
	22 Grace V. Martin,	0 5	Single,	Wakefield,	James and Margaret,	Acute meningitis.
	25 Joseph A. Barry,	2 4	Single,	Wakefield,	William & Catherine,	Pneumonia.
	27 Sharnberg,	0 0	Single,	Wakefield,	Bernard J. & Almira E.	Inanition.
Apr.	3 Ellen Connolly (Sullivan),	75 0	Single,	Wakefield,	Patrick and Bridget,	Atheronia.
	4 Curtis Clifford,	84 0	Widow,	Ireland,	John and Mary,	Apoplexy.
	7 Margaret F. Douglass, (Cul-	55 0	Married,	Wentworth, N.H.	Philip and Bridget,	Cancer of spleen.
	8 Daniel G. Walton, (len),	73 11	Married,	Ireland,	James and Elizabeth,	Heart disease.
	12 Lucinda Locke (Wiley),	87 0	Widow,	Wakefield,	Eli and Love,	Pneumonia.
	19 Simeon Parker,	80 0	Married,	North Reading,	Oliver and Mary,	Disease of heart.
	24 Thomas Sheehy,	56 0	Widow,	Ireland,	John and unknown,	Chronic bronchitis.
May	25 Lillian M. Young,	0 0	Single,	Wakefield,	Charles S. & Lillian,	Premature birth.
	8 Agatha Cooney,	0 1	Single,	Wakefield,	Joseph R. & Agatha,	Marasmus.
	10 Mitchell,	0 0	Single,	Wakefield,	Michael J. and Nora,	Immaturity.
	11 John D. Fournin,	66 4	Married,	Canada,	Edmund and Maggie,	Chronic cystitis.
	13 Walter Elliot,	61 8	Married,	Scotland,	Robert and Margaret,	Heart disease.
	14 Thomas J. McManis,	23 0	Married,	Wakefield,	John A. and Mary,	Injury on railroad.

15	Ella M. Emerson (Francis),	46	7	17	Married,	East Boston,	Antonio and Desiah,	Pernicious anaemia.
17	Bernard J. Sharnberg,	36	5	6	Married,	Sweden,	John and Bangta,	Consumption.
18	Margaret Evans (Welch),	35	8	18	Married,	Wakefield,	John and Julia,	Phthisis pulmonalis.
19	Henry G. Doucet e,	0	0	9	Single,	Wakefield,	Mark and Elizæ beth,	Disease of heart.
22	Fred Brent,	2	1	0	Single,	Unknown,	Unknown,	Meningitis.
23	John Downing,	54	0	0	Wid'r,	Ireland,	John and unknown,	Phthisis pulmonalis.
24	Lillian E. Balfour (Emerson),	25	8	6	Married,	Wakefield,	George D. & Estella M.	Pul. consumption.
27	Mary C. Frazer,	82	1	25	Widow,	Halifax, N. S.,	George and Abigail,	Paralysis.
28	Charles Benson,	4	0	10	Single,	So. Boston,	Charles and Minnie,	Membranous croup.
29	Ida C. Hartshorne (Coffin),	53	11	29	Married,	Boston,	Nath'l R. & Clarissa A	Rup. of art. of heart.
29	Margaret Maloney,	12	9	17	Single,	Ireland,	James and Ellen,	Phthisis pulmonalis.
30	Katherine L. Gowing,	0	0	10	Single,	Wakefield,	Henry G. & Mary E.,	Meningitis.
31	Dennis C. O'Connell,	64	0	0	Married,	Ireland,	John and Catherine,	Septicæmia.
1	Mary E. Sullivan,	15	7	16	Single,	Boston,	James and Margaret,	Phthisis pulmonalis.
5	Adelia L. Murphy,	33	5	9	Single,	Wakefield,	Michael F. & Ellen,	Meningitis.
7	Elizabeth Sweetser (Healey),	94	4	20	Widow,	Hampton Falls,	Levi and Abigail,	Old age.
12	Sullivan,	0	0	0	Single,	Wakefield, [N.H.,	Jeremiah and Nora,	Immaturity.
14	Michael Mahoney,	60	0	0	Married,	Ireland,	Patrick and Bridget,	Endocarditis.
14	Martha L. Black,	9	0	12	Single,	Chelsea,	Chas. H. & Jeannette J.	Valvular dis. of heart.
17	M. Abbie Richardson (Glid-	39	6	7	Married,	Beverly,	Joseph and Cynthia,	Bright's disease.
17	Windsor O. Nickerson, [den],	35	4	22	Married,	Wakefield,	Solomon H. & Mary W.	Suicide by hanging.
23	Frank O. Leonard,	47	5	13	Married,	Woolwich, Me.,	Jos. B. & Charlotte A.	Chronic cystitis.
26	Mary Eager,	56	0	0	Single,	Ireland,	James and Margaret,	Cerebral hemorrhage.
28	Sarah E. Morrison (Eaton),	78	10	13	Married,	No. Reading,	Fred B. and Eliza,	Chron. ossi. of heart.
28	Audrey V. Bemis,	5	7	6	Single,	Lincoln,	Charles L. & Mary L.	Disease of heart.
2	Dorothy Knight (Sleeper),	82	11	5	Widow,	Andover,	Stephen and Ruth,	Paralysis.
12	Francis A. Bartley,	51	1	18	Single,	Ireland,	Wilson and Margaret,	Consumption.
12	Ernest W. Carlson,	0	5	2	Single,	Wakefield,	Axel and Hilda,	Meningitis.
15	William B. Mussot,	1	9	2	Single,	Boston,	Geo. G. & Libbie C.,	Drowning accident.
19	Beatrice Moore,	2	5	0	Single,	Wakefield,	William and Theresa,	Consumption.
20	John McDonnell,	74	0	0	Married,	Ireland,	Unknown and Mary,	Apoplexy.
23	Mary M. Stevens,	64	3	12	Married,	Bainbridge, N. Y.,	Unknown & Roxina,	Cirrhus of liver.
24	Nellie Holloran,	0	8	29	Single,	Wakefield,	George and Rose A.,	Cerebral meningitis.
25	Martin L. Sawyer,	42	4	22	Married,	Saccarappa, Me.,	Joseph & Lettice P.,	Consumption.
26	Winnifred Hennessey,	36	0	0	Married,	Ireland,	Felix and Mary,	Suffocation.

June

July

Deaths Registered in the Town of Wakefield during the Year 1898—*Continued.*

Date.	Name of Deceased.	Age. y. m. d.	Condition.	Birthplace.	Names of Parents.	Cause of Death.
July	28 George A. Muse,	1 8	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Joseph and Jessie,	Cerebral meningitis.
Aug.	2 Maggie M. Burrage,	1 1	14 Single,	Wakefield,	George and Agnes,	Cerebral meningitis.
	4 Charles W. Green,	60 7 21	0 Single,	Haverhill,	Alexander & Julia A.,	Heart disease.
	12 Elizabeth McGlory,	0 6	0 Single,	Wakefield,	John and Mary,	Meningitis.
	14 Isaiah Doucette,	45 3 22	0 Married,	Nova Scotia,	James and Hannah,	Consumption.
	20 Annie A. Hunt (Turner),	46 0 9	0 Married,	New Brunswick,	Isaac and Annie,	Tubercular peritonitis.
	28 Hanwright,	0 0	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Frank R. & Lottie J.,	Inanition.
	30 Theresa M. Ellis,	0 10	0 Single,	Reading,	George and Adeline,	Meningitis.
Sept.	31 Elizabeth F. Hanlon,	1 8 23	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Jeremiah and Fannie,	Eclampsia.
	2 Reardon,	0 0	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Michael & Caroline,	Still birth.
	2 William L. Hatfield,	0 8	0 Single,	Wakefield,	John and Annie,	Meningitis.
	3 David McAllister, [Parker],	67 0 2	0 Married,	Hinesburg,	Daniel and Margaret,	Apoplexy.
	4 Harriet M. Greenough	78 10 3	0 Widow,	Derry, N. H.,	Nathaniel and Lois,	Inanition.
	11 Mary C. Cutler (Cushing),	87 2 7	0 Widow,	Peterboro, N. H.,	David and Polly,	Apoplexy.
	14 Marion F. Kenrick,	0 6 26	0 Single,	Wakefield,	Alfred B. & Etta G.,	Meningitis.
	16 Dorothy I. Reed,	0 4	0 Single,	Roxbury,	Roy and Evelyn,	Meningitis.
	23 Doucette,	0 0	1 Single,	Wakefield,	Henry and Sarah,	Premature Birth.
	24 Mary M. Deveau,	0 3	0 Single,	Wakefield,	John R. & Madeline,	Tubercular meningitis.
	27 May Clark,	0 3 21	0 Single,	Roxbury,	Harry and Bertha,	Whooping cough.
Oct.	30 Asenath Lane (Smith),	77 6 7	0 Widow,	Newark, Vt.,	Samuel and Phoebe,	Pneumonia.
	33 Susie A. Stevens,	31 1 2	0 Single,	Cambridge,	Benj. F. & Mary F.,	Phthisis.
	3 Franklin Poole,	89 11 16	0 Wid'r,	Reading,	Timothy & Jerusha,	Senile heart.
	7 Alfred C. Williams,	22 6 0	0 Single,	P. E. Island,	William & unknown,	Execution by hanging.
	17 Martha E. Preston (Phillips),	73 2 3	0 Widow,	Chester, N. H.,	R. fus and Betsy,	Tubercu. of kidneys.
	25 Joseph G. Savage,	74 1 8	0 Wid'r,	Greenfield, N. H.,	William & unknown,	Phthisis pulmonalis.
	25 Sarah E. Burchstead (Smith),	44 10 20	0 Married,	So. Newmarket,	Josiah and Susan A.,	Cancer.
	27 Margaret F. Cronin (Doyle),	49 10 0	0 Married,	Boston, [N. H.,	Timothy and Mary,	Heart disease.
	16 Edward Mansfield,	85 7 3	0 Wid'r,	Lynnfield,	William and Eunice,	Heart disease.
Nov.	20 Ellen Ma'com (Casey),	34 0 0	0 Married,	Newfoundland,	John and Elizabeth,	Consumption.

21	David A. Doucette,	0	0	16	Single,	Wakefield,	Jeffery B. & Matilda,	Heart disease.
27	Georgine B. Watts (Bontilee),	32	8	0	Married,	Halifax, N. S.,	James and Barbara,	Bright's disease.
28	Emily C. Gowing (Cutler),	86	10	0	Widow,	Burlington,	Nathaniel and Phebe,	Old age.
2	Almira A. Swett (Foster),	71	0	0	Widow,	Essex,	Warren & Judith M.,	Apoplexy.
3	William E. Arrington,	31	0	4	Single,	Wakefield,	William S. & Abbie A.,	Elevator accident.
4	Mary E. Ware,	22	11	11	Single,	Holliston,	Arthur B. & Harriet M.,	Consumption of lungs.
5	John C. Ames,	66	7	0	Wid'r,	Parsonsfield, Me.	William & unknown,	Heart disease.
5	Emily A. Wiggin,	58	1	16	Married,	So. Newmarket,	John & Margaret A.,	Typhoid fever.
12	Sarah A. E. Cheney (Wiley),	69	8	24	Married,	Lynn, [N. H.,	Ephraim and Sarah,	Disease of heart.
14	Frost,	0	0	0	Single,	Wakefield,	Daniel and Rose,	Still birth.
15	Mary E. O'Hare,	17	0	22	Single,	Wakefield,	John and Mary,	Phthisis pulmonalis.
16	George W. Wilder,	75	0	0	Wid'r,	Wakefield,	George and Betsy,	Softening of brain.
18	Pamelia Daland (Goldthwait),	86	9	21	Widow,	Wakefield,	John and Rebecca,	Apoplexy.
18	George D. Lucas,	73	8	10	Married,	Boston,	Samuel and Mary,	Disease of heart.
23	Franklin E. Sederquest,	0	3	3	Single,	Wakefield,	Albert E. & Virginia,	Membranous croup.
25	Abigail H. Copeland (Emer-	90	8	0	Widow,	Pepperell,	Joseph and Phebe,	Old age.
27	Nellie Trahey,	16	9		Single,	Wakefield,	Thomas and Ellen,	Phthisis pulmonalis.

RECAPITULATION.

Births registered in 1898,	.	.	.	223	
Males,	.	.	.	107	
Females,	.	.	.	116	223
Nativity of Parents.			Fathers.	Mothers.	
Wakefield,	.	.	.	15	23
United States,	.	.	.	84	84
British Provinces,	.	.	.	55	53
Ireland,	.	.	.	35	29
Sweden,	.	.	.	10	12
England,	.	.	.	7	9
Scotland,	.	.	.	2	0
Italy,	.	.	.	2	1
Austria,	.	.	.	1	1
West Indies,	.	.	.	0	1
France,	.	.	.	0	1
Unknown,	.	.	.	12	9
				223	223
Marriages registered in 1898,	.	.	.		86
Nativity.			Grooms.	Brides.	
Wakefield,	.	.	.	8	11
United States,	.	.	.	51	43
British Provinces,	.	.	.	16	17
Ireland,	.	.	.	8	11
England,	.	.	.	1	1
Sweden,	.	.	.	1	1
Italy,	.	.	.	1	1
Unknown,	.	.	.	0	1
				86	86
First marriage,	.	.	.	78	77
Second,	.	.	.	8	9
				86	83

	Grooms.	Brides.
Number under 20 years of age,	1	8
“ between 20 and 30,	57	62
“ “ 30 and 40,	18	10
“ “ 40 and 50,	6	5
“ “ 50 and 60,	2	0
“ “ 60 and 70,	1	1
“ “ 70 and 80,	1	0
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Deaths registered in 1898,	139
Males,	59
Females,	80
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Number under 5 years of age,	33
“ between 5 and 10,	3
“ “ 10 and 20,	5
“ “ 20 and 30,	7
“ “ 30 and 40,	10
“ “ 40 and 50,	13
“ “ 50 and 60,	14
“ “ 60 and 70,	12
“ “ 70 and 80,	17
“ “ 80 and 90,	11
“ “ 90 and 100,	4
Still births,	10
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Average age 38 years, 7 months, 6 days.

Nativity										
Wakefield,	50
United States,	54
British Provinces,	9
Ireland,	19
England,	2
Scotland,	3
Sweden,	1
Unknown,	1
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DOG LICENSES.

Number of dogs licensed in 1898,	278
Males,	253
Females,	25
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Tax on 253 males at \$2,	\$506.00
Tax on 25 females,	125.00
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									\$631.00
Deduct clerk's fees,	55.60
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									\$575.40
Paid county treasurer,	\$575.40

CHARLES F. HARTSHORNE,

Town Clerk.

FISH COMMITTEE.

TWENTY - THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

"There is certainly something in angling that tends to produce a gentleness of spirit and a pure serenity of mind."—*Washington Irving.*

LAKE QUANNAPOWITT.

The season of 1898 will be remembered as an extremely wet one, and the conditions for frequent and successful fishing unfavorable. The lake was open for free fishing every day except Sunday, from June 1 to December 1, and *closed to all comers* from December 1 to June 1 by order of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Commission, as authorized by Chap. 208 of the Laws of 1897.

The same restrictions apply to Crystal lake, and by the same authority.

THE CATCH.

Fishing opened briskly, and during the month of June an unusually large number of fish were taken. The largest single day's catch of the season was by a party of anglers from Reading who carried home about sixty handsome pickerel, large and small, but mostly small.

Red perch were abundant. Some very fine ones were brought ashore, large and fat, weighing more than a pound apiece, and from twelve to thirteen inches long.

White perch were scarce in spite of the fact that more than two hundred adult fish were placed in the lake in the fall of '97. It is believed that these fish will prove a valuable addition to the food supply of these waters, and that the coming season will show good results of this planting, and a larger *score at the end*. The fish were secured without cost to the town.

Black bass. It has been thought that the lake had become depleted of bass, but the catch of last season indicates that they

still live and are thriving. Several four and five pounders were brought to net, and a goodly number of smaller ones besides.

The *German carp*—maligned by some and despised by others—is still with us. None have been caught, but many have been seen disporting themselves in the water with great vigor and commotion. They have attained great size, some of them being not less than three or four feet long and weighing twenty-five or thirty pounds each. They are considered a good food fish, the retail price in Boston markets, in season, being about 15 cents per pound.

CRYSTAL LAKE.

This lake is the source of our municipal and domestic water supply and is not much resorted to for fishing. There are no boats kept there for public hire and but few for private use. The water is deep and cool, with rocky and sandy shores, and for the most part free from weeds—an ideal place for trolling. Anglers who tried their luck were amply repaid, some of them claiming a catch of thirty or forty bass in a single week, with scores of dozens of white perch on those days when fish were biting well. A favorite place for pickerel is in the shallow waters of Tasker's Cove, at the southwest corner of the lake, and the meadows adjoining.

UNLAWFUL FISHING.

But two cases of illegal fishing were discovered. Both parties were brought into court, tried, convicted, and a fine of \$20 imposed, which was paid. No attempts at ice-fishing have been reported. The rules, printed on strong cloth and furnished by the state, were posted by Mr. Parker around both lakes and have become widely known and carefully respected. These rules will run till the close of the season of 1900, when, it is hoped, more fish will be planted, and the rules, with some amendments perhaps, continued in force.

Respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL PARKER, *Chairman*,

WILL H. WILEY,

J. C. HARTSHORNE, *Secretary*.

WAKEFIELD, Feb. 4, 1899.

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

Clerk	7
Conductor	9
Contractor	1
Car inspector	1
Currier	1
Farmer	1
Foreman	2
Hostler	1
Housewife	5
Junk dealer	2
Laborer	48
Lather	2
Mason	2
Mill operator	2
Milk dealer	1
Motorman	2
Plumber	1
Rattan worker	7
Servant	2
Shoe maker	7
Steam fitter	1
Stove moulder	6
Tailor	3
Teamster	9
Tinsmith	1
No occupation	20

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NATURE OF ARRESTS.

Aiding prize fight	1
Assault and battery	7
Assault with intent to kill	1
Bastardy	2
Bicycle on sidewalk	5
Breaking and entering and larceny	1
Breaking and entering unoccupied building	2
Default warrants	4
Disturbing the peace	13

Drunkenness	72
Embezzlement	2
Exposing and keeping intoxicating liquors	8
Evading car fare	1
False pretence	1
Fishing on Lord's day	2
Fornication	2
Gaming	6
Indecent assault	1
Present at unlawful game	1
Stubborn child	3
Trespass with intent to steal	1
Neglected child	15
Non support	2
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DISPOSITION OF CASES.

Continued (still in court)	17
Defaulted	11
Fined	6
House of correction	4
Middlesex County truant school	1
Not guilty and discharged	14
Nolle prossed	10
On file	15
Probation	5
State farm	4
Turned over to out of town officer	5
Turned over to overseers of the poor	5
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Total	153

Aggregate amount fines imposed	\$870 00
“ “ sentences “	5 yrs, 10 mos, 15 days
Number of search warrants for liquors	11
“ patients committed to Danvers insane hospital	4

MISCELLANEOUS WORK.

Accidents reported	8
Assisted home	1
Bicycles found	4
Cases investigated	217
Disturbances suppressed	10
Defective streets and sidewalks reported	19
Dogs killed	12
Fire discovered and alarm given	1
“ “ put out without alarm	1
Lanterns hung in dangerous places	16
Lost children restored to parents	2
Medical examiner cases	2
Sick and injured persons cared for	4
Stray horses cared for	9
Stray teams cared for	4
Street and sidewalk obstructions removed	12
Unlicensed dogs caused to be licensed	89

It has been my policy to conduct the affairs of the department with fairness and impartiality, both in the enforcement of the laws and in maintaining good order. No person has been arrested without sufficient cause and evidence that pointed strongly to their guilt. There have been cases where we have been satisfied of the guilt of certain parties, but as the required evidence to convict could not be procured, no action was taken. In some of these cases the persons who have suffered from the acts of these suspected parties may have been dissatisfied because there was nothing done; but if they understood the difficulty of getting convictions where there is strong evidence they would not be so unreasonable as to expect action to be taken when we are convinced that the result of a trial would be an acquittal.

DEPORTMENT.

The deportment of the department has been good, with but one exception. One officer was suspended and charges preferred, and after due hearing by the board of selectmen the charges were sustained and the officer dismissed from the force.

I feel that many of the citizens do not appreciate the work performed by this department. It is not and should not be considered as a source of revenue, but rather one of expense, and the results judged by the good order and the freedom from crime. They do not realize what is required of an officer, and what is accomplished—not so much what he does, but what he prevents. An officer is appointed to protect life and property and is expected to be found at his post of duty at all times—in the severest cold, in storm, or in the heat of summer; is expected to know everything that is going on, and attend to many duties the public know nothing of. From no other department is so much expected and so much encouragement needed from the law abiding citizens.

LIQUOR LAW.

The liquor law and its enforcement is one of the most talked of and one of the most trying laws under which to secure convictions. Most of the illegal traffic is carried on in what are called kitchen barrooms, by the occupants themselves, and continuous raids must be made upon these places to prevent them from doing much business, and from observations by myself, reports of the officers, and from the citizens generally, I believe the law has been enforced as strictly as possible under the circumstances, and that the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors is confined to only a few.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That the police force be increased by the addition of two or more men for night duty and one for day duty. There are continual complaints from all parts of the town of depredations committed by boys, such as breaking window glass, getting into empty houses and destroying the inside (causing great expense to the owner), stealing fruit and flowers, throwing stones and snowballs and many other criminal acts too numerous to mention.

This town has grown very fast in the last twenty-five years, but the police department has not increased any. We have been very fortunate in having so little crime, but some day we shall wake up to find that we have gone too long without proper protection of our town. The idea of waiting until our property is

all destroyed before we take means to protect it is not good judgment. We should try to be prepared for any emergency. A bank robbery or a large conflagration would then bestir the citizens to do something to prevent another, but let us not wait for that; let us be prepared now; let us take warning from other places that have gone on in this niggardly way until it was too late. In regard to a day patrolman: Now it happens that the chief is obliged to be away in court almost every day and does not return until noon, and often he is obliged to go out of town to attend to other duties connected with the department; in all that time the town is without an officer.

In concluding this report I desire to extend to the honorable board of selectmen and to the citizens of the town of Wakefield my sincere thanks for their uniform courtesy.

I desire to commend to your attention and approval the unfaltering and judicious performance of duty by the night watchmen and members of our police force, and extend to them my personal appreciation, believing that the public does not realize how well they have acquitted themselves amid the trying circumstances in which their duties place them.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR A. HALLETT,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

The undersigned committee appointed by authority of the town at an adjourned town meeting held April 13th, 1898, having performed its duty, hereby reports its action.

Chester W. Eaton, Esq., was employed by the committee to examine the title to the property of Mrs. Grace Parker and Austin L. Mansfield on Lowell street, which the town voted to buy.

The titles being found perfect they were transferred to the town and the deeds recorded and delivered to the selectmen.

Engineers have been employed to survey the tracts and make deed plans and contour maps for the future use of the town.

The committee, having completed the business for which it was appointed, has delivered the minutes of its transactions together with accounts and vouchers to the selectmen, and transferred the balance of the appropriation to the town treasurer.

Received from selectmen, check . . .	\$5,500 00
“ “ S. T. Parker, standing grass, 10 00	
“ “ S. T. Parker, ex. of former com. 17 25	
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	\$5,527 25
Paid Samuel T. Parker and Grace Parker . . .	\$3,575 00
“ Austin L. Mansfield	1,800 00
“ C. W. Eaton, Esq., examining titles, etc. .	31 70
“ Hodges & Harrington, engineers, deed, plan and contour map survey . . .	78 66
“ Wm. N. Tyler, carriage hire on former com.	1 00
“ Everett W. Eaton, services and expenses .	10 00
“ Josiah S. Bonney, services and expenses .	10 00
Balance in bank paid town treasurer . . .	20 89
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	\$5,527 25

EVERETT W. EATON, *Chairman*,
G. M. THOMPSON,
JOSIAH S. BONNEY.

COLLECTORS' STATEMENTS.

TAX OF 1896.

Uncollected balance, Jan. 31, 1898, .	\$775 75	
Received as interest	41 85	
	<u> </u>	\$817 60
Paid Town Treasurer		\$629 60
Abated by Assessors		188 00

CHAS. F. WOODWARD, *Collector.*

January 31, 1899.

TAX OF 1897.

Balance uncollected, Jan. 30, 1898,	\$38,947 86	
Re-assessed by Assessors . . .	341 58	
Received as interest	689 14	
	<u> </u>	\$39,978 58
Paid Town Treasurer	\$20,257 03	
Abated by Assessors	942 24	
	<u> </u>	\$21,199 27
		<u> </u>
		\$18,779 31

TAX OF 1898.

Total amount assessed	\$133,817 08	
Received as interest	59 55	
	<u> </u>	\$133,876 63
Paid Town Treasurer	\$89,079 76	
Discount allowed	1,653 67	
Abated by Assessors	1,454 73	\$92,188 16
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Balance uncollected		\$41,688 47

C. E. WALTON, *Collector.*

WAKEFIELD, Jan. 31, 1899.

REPORT OF FOREST FIREWARDS.

During the twelve months ending Dec. 31, 1898, there have been 92 still fire alarms. Of these, 17 were followed by general alarms. They have all been attended by the forest firewards system; and 80 fires have been stopped by it alone and they were the first to put water on the other 12 with one exception. The active work of this system is done by the Johnson pump and bucket brigade system, under the supervision of the firewards.

MONTHLY FIRES.

January	4	July	9
February	7	August	2
March	18	September	2
April	22	October	4
May	5	November	6
June	5	December	8

There have been 40 building fires stopped by this system alone; 2 in South district; 2 in East district; 29 in Centre district; 7 in West district.

NUMBER OF FIRES IN EACH DISTRICT.

DISTRICT.	FIRES.	BUILDING FIRES.
Centre	48	35
North	0	0
South	15	2
East	3	2
West	10	10
Woodville	10	0
	<hr/> 92	<hr/> 49

Total cost of 92 fires attended by forest firewards, with total attendant expenses of this system and 30 ad- ditional Johnson pumps	\$457.25
Average cost of each	2.94
Average cost per man . . . . .	.67
Average number of men at fires	4
Whole number of persons working at these fires	404

The above includes the expense of horses and wagons, with loads of water at twenty fires.

Average time of attack	2 minutes
Total losses of 85 fires stopped by this system alone, less than	\$85.00
Average losses of 85 fires stopped by this system alone, 40 of which were building fires, less than	\$1.00

Nine tenths of all the fires in this town were stopped by this system in 1898. Most of the 40 building fires named were stopped by parties on the premises.

As stated in our report of last year, the causes of these fires are divided about equally between sparks from railroad engines, children, gunners, accidents, incendiarism and reckless setting of fires by people on their own land, which were allowed to run upon the land of others.

Town fire appliances in charge of the forest firewards: 200 Johnson pumps, 67 balloon valves for pumps, 6 top valves, 6 discharge pipes, 12 bottom valves, 72 plungers, 12 tips, 10 dozen sprinkler nozzles, 150 2-gallon cans, 50 wooden buckets, 5 water scoops, 400 feet of garden hose with its appliances and 10 feet of Johnson pump hose, 500 12-quart iron-clad pails, which are located in 500 places and kept in readiness for instant use at fires; also 25 15-foot poles with leather buttonhole tips. It has been the only party to use water at 85 out of 92 still and general alarms during the year 1898 with an average power of less than one pint of water a minute, commencing use at sight on the 85 fires named.

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Expended on accounts of 1897 . . .	\$177 94	
Repairs on Johnson pumps, water cans, buckets and incidental expenses as per detailed account of audi- tors	\$186 60	
Sewers	270 65	
	<hr/>	\$635 19
Expended over appropriation	\$35 19	
This will be paid from appropriation of 1899.		

JOHNSON PUMPS.

In compliance with the vote of the town at its annual meeting, the forest firewards herewith furnish a list of the present locations of the town's Johnson pumps, now numbering 200, as follows :

- No. 1, John A. Meloney, Prospect street, West District.
- “ 2, R. Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.
- “ 3, William H. Atwell, Prospect street, West District.
- “ 4, Fred I. Wilkins, Main street, Centre District.
- “ 5, W. V. Taylor, market, Main street, Centre District.
- “ 6, C. C. Eldridge, Myrtle avenue, South District.
- “ 7, Noah M. Eaton, Park street, Centre District.
- “ 8, Caleb Putney, Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 9, Z. P. Alden, Court off Greenwood avenue, South District.
- “ 10, W. D. Parker, Wiley street, Woodville District.
- “ 11, C. T. Welch, Wiley place, Woodville District.
- “ 12, E. W. White, West Albion street, West District.
- “ 13, E. H. Walton, Pleasant street, Centre District.
- “ 14, E. F. Poland, 30 Summer street, Centre District.
- “ 15, In doubt. Not found.
- “ 16, Alden Crocker, Green street, South District.
- “ 17, G. W. Braxton, Cor. West Chestnut and Cedar streets, West District.
- “ 18, John Miniken, Church street, Centre District.
- “ 19, William Mellet, Nahant street, Centre District.
- “ 20, In doubt. Not found.

- No. 21, Michael Low, Bennett street, Centre District.
- “ 22, W. A. Cutter, grocer, Main street, Centre District.
- “ 23, J. M. Perley, Railroad street, Centre District.
- “ 24, Henry Harper, Nahant street, Centre District.
- “ 25, Geo. K. Gilman, Charles street, Centre District.
- “ 26, A. G. Goodwin, 14 Lowell street, North District.
- “ 27, Alvin B. Woodman, Sweetser street, North District.
- “ 28, A. M. Baxter, 16 Forest street, South District.
- “ 29, Samuel Parker, Main street, North District.
- “ 30, T. H. Evans, Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 31, J. R. Reid, Salem and Lowell streets, East District.
- “ 32, F. Nickerson, Lowell street, East District.
- “ 33, Geo. K. Walton, Salem street, East District.
- “ 34, M. P. Parker, Lowell and Vernon streets, East District.
- “ 35, Harris Pratt, Vernon street, East District.
- “ 36, Isaac E. Green, Main street, Centre District.
- “ 37, F. A. Edson, Main street, South District.
- “ 38, J. G. Brooks, Forest street, South District.
- “ 39, W. H. Taylor, Grove street, South District.
- “ 40, Rodney Edmands, Court off Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 41, Mrs. Ellen Denehey, Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 42, John McGlory, Jr., Railroad street, West District.
- “ 43, W. W. Bessey's stable, Albion street, Centre District.
- “ 44, A. S. Philbrick, Railroad street, West District.
- “ 45, Thomas Kernan, Gould street, West District.
- “ 46, C. R. Hamilton, Elm street, West District.
- “ 47, Geo. E. Donald, Almshouse, Farm street, Woodville District.
- “ 48, George R. Tyzzar, Court off Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 49, E. S. Hopkins, Hopkins street, West District.
- “ 50, Wm. Mortimer, Traverse street, Centre District.
- “ 51, In doubt. Not found.
- “ 52, A. H. Gould, Forest street, South District.
- “ 53, Geo. F. Roby, Greenwood and Spring streets, South District.
- “ 54, S. M. Gates, Green street, South District.

- No. 55, A. L. Oliver, Nahant street, Woodville District.
- “ 56, Alex. Murray, Farm street, Woodville District.
- “ 57, W. M. Ward, Nahant street, Woodville District.
- “ 58, Charles Drury, 290 Salem street, East District.
- “ 59, Jonathan Buxton, Lowell street, East District.
- “ 60, R. Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.
- “ 61, L. Dana Draper, Jr., Salem street, East District.
- “ 62, Jonathan N. McMaster, 10 Vernon street, East District.
- “ 63, J. S. Newhall, Lowell street, North District.
- “ 64, Timothy McAuliffe, Railroad street, West District.
- “ 65, Geo. H. Teague, Converse street, West District.
- “ 66, D. D. Douglas, Broadway, West District.
- “ 67, John F. Stimpson, 33 Cedar street, West District.
- “ 68, Wm. Darling, Main street, South District.
- “ 69, Chas. S. Merrill, 72 Morrison avenue, West District.
- “ 70, Chas. W. Sunman, Pitman avenue, South District.
- “ 71, E. E. Lee, Oak street and Greenwood avenue, South District.
- “ 72, Geo. H. Potter, Francis street, South District.
- “ 73, Charles Cloudman, Prospect street, near Stoneham line, West District.
- “ 74, A. F. Cutter, Cor. Oak and Nahant streets, Woodville District.
- “ 75, R. Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.
- “ 76, Bert Pendleton, Francis street, South District.
- “ 77, F. L. Smith, Byron street and Prospect avenue, West District.
- “ 78, C. R. Counihan, Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 79, A. C. Allbee, Converse, Cor. Gould street, West District.
- “ 80, Louis Roberts, Water street, Woodville District.
- “ 81, Patrick Fay, Salem street, East District.
- “ 82, Geo. E. Smith, 40 Elm street, West District.
- “ 83, In doubt. Not found.
- “ 84, H. W. Savage, Oak, near Green street, South District.
Kept in hose house, Oak and Francis streets.
- “ 85, J. R. Marble, Greenwood avenue, South District.
- “ 86, In doubt. Not found.

- No. 87, I. G. Floyd, Pleasant street, North District.
- “ 88, W. C. Jordan, apothecary, Connell & Curley's block, Main street, Centre District.
- “ 89, M. P. Foster, printer, Main and Lincoln streets, Centre District.
- “ 90, W. E. Cowdrey, 61 Prospect street, West District.
- “ 91, A. S. Taylor, Spring street, South District.
- “ 92, W. F. Anderson, market store, Main street, Centre District.
- “ 93, E. N. Smith, fruit, etc., 454 Main street, Centre District.
- “ 94, S. H. Gowing, market, 404 Main street, Centre District.
- “ 95, G. W. Jennings, Albion house, 8 and 10 Albion street, Centre District.
- “ 96, John F. Alexander, flag station, Albion street, West District.
- “ 97, Geo. N. Whiting, flag station, Elm street crossing, West District.
- “ 98, B. F. Shedd, 25 Cordis street, North District.
- “ 99, T. M. Ward, Oak street, Woodville District.
- “ 100, E. E. Lee, grocer, Main street, South District.
- “ 101, Geo. L. Tyler, near head West Chestnut and Prospect streets, West District.
- “ 102, Philip Orme, Myrtle avenue, South District.
- “ 103, S. H. Lowe, Park street, upper plains, South District.
- “ 104, R. H. Ryland, 71 Prospect street, West District.
- “ 105, E. G. Daland, 390 Main street, Centre District.
- “ 106, S. T. Parker, 203 Lowell street, East District.
- “ 107, C. H. Cheever, Cor. Main and Salem streets, Centre District.
- “ 108, Geo. M. Kelley, Mechanic street, Centre District.
- “ 109, Wm. W. Wanamake, Nahant street, near almshouse, Woodville District.
- “ 110, Fred A. Sweetser, Main and Water streets, Centre District.
- “ 111, Samuel L. White, Fairmount avenue, off West Chestnut street, West District.
- “ 112, L. A. Green, Charles street, Centre District.

No. 113, Wm. Leet, Oak street, South District.

“ 114, C. W. Park, Main street, South District.

“ 115, Wm. C. Perkins, 37 Central street, North District.

“ 116, S. E. Ryder, druggist, 416 Main street, Centre District.

“ 117, Andrew McDonald, Charles street, Centre District.

“ 118, John W. Harnden, barber, 426 Main street, Centre District.

“ 119, Thomas Kenney, Summer street, Centre District.

“ 120, James A. Sederquest, wheelwright, Main street, Centre District.

“ 121, T. L. Munier, 34 Valley street, Centre District.

“ 122, Harvey B. Evans, Temperance Boys' Club, Salem street, Centre District.

“ 123, Crozier Latimer, express, 43 Crescent street, Centre District.

“ 124, Justin Howard, Main street, Centre District.

“ 125, Geo. W. Eaton, grocer, 394 Main street, Centre District.

“ 126, Charles E. Kiander, Oak street, South District.

“ 127, Charles H. Cheever, 21 Bryant street, Centre District.

“ 128, R. Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.

“ 129, C. E. Jones, Greenwood avenue, G. park, South District.

“ 130, George A. Anderson, Pine street, G. park, South District.

“ 131, Charles B. Nickerson, 6 Walker terrace, off Yale avenue, Centre District.

“ 132, Hugh Connell, 442 Main street, Centre District.

“ 133, N. B. Bucknam, Tyzzer avenue, off Water street, Woodville District.

“ 134, W. P. Shepard, Shumway circle, Park, North District.

“ 135, Will Everett Eaton, 15 Summit avenue, Park, North District.

“ 136, Timothy Doucette, Elm street, Cor. West Chestnut and Elm streets, North District.

“ 137, Michael J. McTeague, 21 Murray street, West District.

“ 138, James Balmain, New Salem street, court, Bellevue Park, East District.

No. 139, Charles H. Black, 268 Salem street, East District.

“ 140, Wm. S. Hill, Fairmount avenue, West District.

“ 141, Jeffrey B. Doucette, 141 Prospect street, West District.

“ 142, John Crosby, Nahant street, Woodville District.

“ 143, F. A. Hadley, Park street, Upper plains, South District.

“ 144, A. R. Wiley, 10 Avon court, West District.

“ 145, Rufus Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.

“ 146, Rufus Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.

“ 147, S. T. Parker, 203 Lowell street, East District.

“ 148, S. T. Parker, 203 Lowell street, East District.

“ 149, C. P. Rosson, head of pond, 25 Lowell street, North District.

“ 150, S. T. Parker, 203 Lowell street, East District.

“ 151, W. L. Griffin, Cordis and Pleasant Streets, North District.

“ 152, Orrin Stone, 14 Eaton street, Centre District.

“ 153, A. A. Butler, 432 Main street, pump kept at stable off Water street, Centre District.

“ 154, Thomas H. Moses, 260 Lowell street, East District.

“ 155, Transferred to D. Hadley, Salem street, East District.

“ 156, E. L. Grinnell, Lowell street, East District.

“ 157, L. K. Finney, 17 Crescent street, Centre District.

“ 158, Rufus Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.

“ 159, Allie D. Rogers, 193 Railroad street, West District.

“ 160, Arthur S. Aborn, 221 Albion street, West District.

“ 161, A. Butler. store, 434 Main street, Centre District.

“ 162, E. J. Wheeler, apothecary, 380 Main street, Centre District.

“ 163, M. J. Curley, grain store, Main street, Centre District.

“ 164, J. T. O'Connor, 59 Broadway, West District.

“ 165, Geo. W. Couillard, Albion street block, West District.

“ 166, Job C. Young, Madison avenue, South District.

“ 167, E. W. Snow, grocer, Main and Greenwood streets, South District.

“ 168, G. B. Moore, Pitman avenue, South District.

“ 169, K. Berthold, Farm street, Woodville District.

“ 170, Frank H. Sweetser, 170 Main street, Centre District.

- No. 171, Geo. L. Hawkes, 558 Main street, Centre District.
- “ 172, Michael Holden, 5 Bartley street, West District.
- “ 173, Richard S. Stout, 6 Bennett street, Centre District.
- “ 174, D. W. Hunt, 99 Albion street, Centre District.
- “ 175, J. O’Connell, 58 Richardson street, Centre District.
- “ 176, G. H. Hathaway, 18 to 22 Mechanic street, Centre District.
- “ 177, Michael O’Connell, 47 Lake street, West District.
- “ 178, John S. Griffiths, 73 Pleasant street, North District.
- “ 179, Dean Dudley, Pearl street, off Salem street, East District.
- “ 180, C. H. Curtis, baker, 430 Main street, Centre District.
- “ 181, E. K. Smith, 231 Lowell street, East District.
- “ 182, H. L. Goldsmith, 99 Salem street, East District.
- “ 183, Wm. E. Hogan, Gould and Byron streets, West District.
- “ 184, Albert I. Steves, Oak street, Woodville District.
- “ 185, F. H. Nash, 8 Chestnut street, Centre District.
- “ 186, J. H. Ringer, janitor Greenwood school house, South District.
- “ 187, L. P. Hooper, janitor Woodville school house, Woodville District.
- “ 188, — Hurly, janitor Montrose school house, East District.
- “ 189, Geo. O. Russell, janitor High school house, Centre District.
- “ 190, Chas. E. Newman, janitor Lincoln school house, Centre District.
- “ 191, Thomas Thrush, janitor Franklin school house, Centre District.
- “ 192, Wm. W. Chesley, 173 Albion street, West District.
- “ 193, H. B. Borden, 714 Main street, South District.
- “ 194, J. F. Alexander, flag station crossing, Chestnut street.
- “ 195, Rufus Kendrick, 712 Main street, South District.
- “ 196, Edward E. Eaton, janitor Hamilton school house, West District.
- “ 197, Edward E. Eaton, janitor Warren school house, West District.

No. 198, A. W. Ventress, janitor West ward school house, West District.

“ 199, B. F. Shedd, janitor North ward school house, North District.

“ 200, R. F. Draper, janitor Town House, Centre District.

R. KENDRICK.

G. R. TYZZER,

S. T. PARKER.

Forest Firewards.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Value of real estate,	\$6,602,030 00
“ “ personal property,	849,906 00
“ “ resident bank stock (Nat. Bk. of S. R.)	79,000 00
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Total valuation,	\$7,530,936 00
Number of dwellings taxed,	1,750
“ “ horses,	468
“ “ cows,	271
“ “ swine,	45
Value of real estate and machinery of corporations	\$534,520 00
Value of church property exempt from taxation	203,400 00
Number of steam boilers,	34
Aggregate horse power of steam boilers,	2037
Whole number of tax-payers,	3894
“ “ “ poll tax payers,	2672
Persons assessed tax on property,	2226
“ “ “ poll tax only,	1668
Non-residents assessed on property,	648
Rate of taxation per thousand,	\$17 00
Estimated receipts applicable to debt,	\$7,500 00
Appropriations included in 1898 tax levy:	
Mar. 2, 1891, Lincoln School,	\$5,000 00
July 23, 1894, Mun. Light Plant (Bonds),	3,000 00
Nov. 14, 1895, Warren School House (Bonds),	2,000 00
March, 1896, Greenwood School (Bonds),	1,000 00
March 15, 1897, Map and Survey,	500 00
Nov. 14, 1897, Support of poor,	2,000 00
Engine house cesspool,	62 06
Gould street sidewalk,	125 00
Broadway repairs,	500 00
Jordan avenue wall,	100 00

	Murray street repairs, . . .	200 00
	Greenwood Bridge, . . .	725 00
	High School repairs, . . .	1,200 00
	Extension electric lines, . . .	1,000 00
	Salaries town officers, . . .	300 00
	Police department, . . .	250 00
	Highways and bridges, . . .	400 00
	Printing and advertising, . . .	200 00
	Fire escape, Greenwood School house,	200 00
	Mrs. Goodale, land damage, . . .	100 00
	Damages, Hunt vs. town, . . .	2,795 68
	Legal services, E. A. Upton, Kelly vs. town	325 00
	“ “ C. W. Bartlett,	714 00
	Town House expenses, . . .	300 00
March, 1898,	Gen. exp. Light Plant, . . .	1,500 00
	Interest on town debt, . . .	13,500 00
	Miscellaneous expenses, . . .	4,000 00
	Support of poor, . . .	6,000 00
	Support of schools, . . .	29,950 00
	Text books and sup. schools, . . .	2,500 00
	Contingent, schools, . . .	2,250 00
	Sal. of town officers, . . .	5,355 00
	Night watch, . . .	1,800 00
	Expenses Town House, . . .	1,800 00
	Expense of fire department, . . .	3,300 00
	Rental of hydrants, . . .	4,340 00
	Police department, . . .	1,200 00
	Common and park, . . .	450 00
	Memorial Day, . . .	250 00
	Highways and bridges, . . .	9,000 00
	Concrete sidewalks and repairs,	1,000 00
	Forest firewards, expenses, . . .	600 00
	Fish committee, . . .	25 00
	Edgestones, . . .	250 00
	Military aid, . . .	900 00
	Soldiers' relief, . . .	2,900 00
	Printing and stationery, . . .	1,000 00
	Insurance premiums, . . .	600 00

Richardson Light Guard exp.,	600 00
Windmill, Town Farm, . . .	400 00
Lakeside, Main street, sidewalk,	450 00
Remodeling engine house, . . .	1,200 00
Park avenue,	950 00
Extension gas mains,	3,000 00
“ electric lines,	500 00
Stone crossings,	300 00
Morrison road,	1,500 00
Extension fire alarm,	100 00
Horses for fire department, . .	450 00
Public Library,	400 00
Reading Room,	175 00
Byron street sidewalk,	50 00
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Town appropriations,	\$127,541 74
State tax,	3,960 00
County tax,	6,566 28
Sewerage, 1898,	590 40
Overlay,	1,089 77
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Total,	\$142,658 10

ALSTEAD W. BROWNELL,

CHAS. A. DEAN,

FRED S. HARTSHORNE,

Assessors of Wakefield.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Citizens of Wakefield:

I herewith present my report for the fiscal year ending February 1st, 1899.

TRUST FUNDS.

THE FLINT MEMORIAL FUND, \$1,000.

This fund was a gift to the town by the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, November 5th, 1872; the income thereon is to be expended in the purchase of books for the Beebe Town Library.

The fund is now invested in a note of the town of Wakefield (Armory Loan) dated August 1st, 1894, bearing interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, and matures December 1st, 1904.

The sum of \$40 as interest to February 1st, 1899, has been passed to the library account.

DR. F. P. HURD, LIBRARY FUND, \$2,500.

This fund was bequeathed to the town by the late Dr. Francis P. Hurd for the benefit of the town library and is now invested in notes of the town of Wakefield (New Cemetery Loan) dated June 1st, 1898, and maturing as follows:

\$500 00	.	.	.	matures June 1, 1905.
500 00	.	.	.	" " 1, 1906.
500 00	.	.	.	" " 1, 1907.
1,000 00	.	.	.	" " 1, 1908.

These notes bear interest at the rate of four per centum per annum.

The sum of \$100 as interest to December 1st, 1898, has been credited to the library account.

C. WAKEFIELD LIBRARY FUND, \$500.

This fund bequeathed by the second Cyrus Wakefield, is for the benefit of the town library and is invested in a note of the

town of Wakefield (Cemetery Loan) dated June 1st, 1898, and maturing June 1st, 1904.

The sum of \$20 as interest to December 1st, 1898, has been passed to the library account.

JONATHAN NICHOLS TEMPERANCE FUND, \$1,000.

This fund was a gift to the town by the late Jonathan Nichols. The conditions of the trust are such that any young man of our town who files his name with the town clerk before he is sixteen years of age and declares his intention not to drink intoxicating liquors and not to smoke or chew tobacco before he shall have become twenty-one years of age, and shall have kept his pledge until that time, shall receive from the income of the fund, the sum of ten dollars, together with a certificate of commendation from the selectmen.

The town clerk's records show that 537 young men have enrolled their names under this pledge. Eight whose names appear below have been paid the fee during the past year, making a total of sixty-six since the trust was received by the town in March, 1883.

The fund is at present invested in a note of the town of Wakefield (Armory Loan) due December 1st, 1904, and bears interest at the rate of four per centum per annum.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST.

Balance available at last report	.	.	.	.	\$94 90
Interest on above to Feb. 1, 1899	3 80
Interest one year on principal to Dec. 1, 1898	40 00
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					\$138 70
Paid Arthur L. Whitten	\$10 00
William T. Curley	10 00
Ernest L. Cheney	10 00
Wilbur A. Folsom	.	.	.	.	10 00
Frank W. Wheeler	10 00
Arthur W. Eldredge	10 00
Joseph McFadden	10 00
Frank W. Harnden	10 00
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					\$80 00
Balance available	<hr/>
					\$58 70

C. SWEETSER BURIAL LOT FUND, \$1,000.

The income from this fund bequeathed to the town in trust by the late Cornelius Sweetser of Saco, Me., is to be used in keeping in repair and beautifying with flowers and shrubbery the burial lot of the parents of the donor, which is in the Old Burial Ground in the rear of the Congregational church.

The suggestions made in my last report relative to the accumulation of the income of this fund were promptly considered by the new board of selectmen and favorably acted upon by contracting with Mr. James Craig of Quincy, Mass., for a granite curbing around the lot, which has much improved its appearance.

This fund is now on deposit with the Wakefield Savings Bank.

STATEMENT.

Balance on hand as per last report	\$1,607 31
Interest added to Aug. 1, 1898,	64 92
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	\$1,672 23
Paid James Craig, curbing, as per contract, \$400 00	
Chas. A. Gardner, decorations	5 00
T. Keely, labor	6 00
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	\$411 00
Balance	\$1,261 23

The balance in excess of \$1,000 is available for the purposes named in the trust.

C. SWEETSER LECTURE FUND, \$10,000.

This fund is now invested in notes of the town of Wakefield (Temporary Loans) maturing as follows:

\$5,000 00	due April 1, 1899.
5,000 00	“ Dec. 31, 1899.
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\$10,000 00	

By the terms of the bequest this fund is for the purpose of providing such lectures as will tend to improve the public mind. A reasonable fee for admission is required, and the net proceeds of the course are to be paid over to such charitable organization in the said town of Wakefield as the municipal officers of the

town may designate, to be distributed among the worthy poor of the town.

The sum of \$400, as income from this fund for one year, has been paid to the Sweetser Lecture Committee.

The course for 1897-8, resulted as follows, as reported by Charles H. Howe, treasurer :

REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

1897.

Nov. 17.	131 season tickets, at 60c.	. \$78 60
17.	94 evening tickets, Prof. Palmer	9 40
Dec. 1.	1 season ticket . . .	50
1.	63 evening tickets, Mrs. Palmer	6 30
8.	189 evening tickets, Tomlins .	18 90
22.	54 evening tickets, Hall .	5 40

1898.

Jan. 12.	20 evening tickets, Arnold .	2 00
Mar. 17.	51 evening tickets, Mabie .	5 10
Apr. 20.	48 evening tickets, Tucker .	4 80
	Town of Wakefield, income	400 00

\$531 00

EXPENSES.

1897.

Nov. 17.	Prof. G. H. Palmer . .	\$50 00
Dec. 1.	Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer .	25 00
8.	Wm. L. Tomlins . . .	75 00
22.	A. W. Brownell, printing .	9 75
22.	G. Stanley Hall . . .	50 00

1898.

Jan. 12.	Sarah L. Arnold . . .	25 00
13.	M. P. Foster, advertising .	22 90
Feb. 1.	F. W. Young, " .	7 50
7.	J. L. Mathews, lithographs .	2 25
Mar. 18.	Hamilton W. Mabie . .	50 00
Apr. 20.	M. P. Foster, printing and adv.	13 30
21.	C. H. Howe, télégrams, postage	4 58
22.	R. F. Draper, janitor . .	3 50

21.	Israel A. Parsons, doorkeeper .	7 00	
26.	F. W. Young, advertising .	2 00	
22.	A. J. Perham, hack . .	4 50	
20.	Prof. Wm. J. Tucker . .	50 00	\$402 28
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	Balance		\$128 72

The net proceeds as heretofore stated, \$128 72, was duly received by the treasurer, May 7, 1898, and by vote of the selectmen paid over to Mrs. Ellen S. Rogers, treasurer of the Sweetser charity.

The course for the present season, 1898-99, having been completed earlier than usual we are able to include in this report.

REPORT — COURSE 1898-99.

CHAS. H. HOWE, TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

1898.

Dec.	Income from fund . . .	\$400 00
7.	Season tickets . . .	118 70
7.	Evening tickets (433) . .	43 30
14.	“ “ (89) . .	8 95
21.	“ “ (57) . .	5 70

1899.

Jan. 4.	Evening tickets (48) . .	4 80
11.	“ “ (23) . .	2 30
18.	“ “ (373) . .	37 35
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		\$621 10

EXPENSES.

1898.

Dec. 7.	H. L. Broadbridge (McQueen)	\$87 50
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1899.

Jan. 1.	Daily Item, advertising . .	15 00
4.	American Express Co. . .	90
11.	A. W. Brownell, printing . .	2 00
11.	Wm. L. Puffer, 4 lectures . .	200 00
13.	Eaton's Express . . .	15 75
14.	M. P. Foster, advertising . .	20 25
18.	Roland D. Grant . . .	50 00

18.	I. A. Parsons, doorkeeper	.	6	00	
19.	R. J. Lawder, wiring, etc.	.	9	80	
19.	Municipal Light Plant, labor	.	11	10	
19.	A. J. Perham, hack	.	4	25	
19.	R. F. Draper	.	5	00	
19.	Sundries	.	4	22	\$431 77

Balance net proceeds	\$189 33
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The town treasurer received the above balance January 24, 1899, and by vote of the board of selectmen paid the same to Mrs. Ellen S. Rogers, treasurer of the Sweetser charity.

FLINT SOLDIERS' MONUMENT FUND, \$10,000.

This fund is a recent bequest from the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, and was accepted by the town, March 29th, 1898.

The following article and vote thereon is explanatory.

Article 32, March 1898, warrant. — To see if the town will accept the bequest contained in the seventeenth section of the last will and testament of Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, late of Wakefield, for the purpose and upon the conditions therein stated, which bequest reads as follows: "I give and bequeath the said town of Wakefield the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be held in trust by said town, and by them invested until said town of Wakefield may by public appropriation or private contribution or both, add a sum sufficient to erect a soldiers' monument in said town of Wakefield. Then both principal and interest are to be devoted to this object. And it is my wish, and I desire that said monument when completed shall cost not less than the sum of ten thousand dollars; that it may be grand in itself, symmetrical in architecture, beautiful in design and finish, attended with solid, thorough workmanship—a monument worthy of the men to whom we dedicate it."

Voted, unanimously, That the bequest of the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) as expressed in her will be and hereby is accepted by the town, the same to be held in trust for the purposes named in said will. That the town treasurer be authorized to receive and receipt for the same and to invest both principal and interest in such securities as shall meet

with the approval of himself and the board of selectmen, and that in such investment they shall be authorized, if they deem best, to purchase the notes or bonds of the town of Wakefield. The treasurer is also authorized to receive any further contributions from private or public source as suggested in said will, and to treat the same in the same manner as directed in this vote regarding the bequest of Mrs. Flint.

The following vote was also passed :

That a committee of seven citizens of this town be appointed at this meeting to procure designs, plans, estimates, cost and all necessary information pertaining to the erection of a soldiers' monument in Wakefield. That said committee shall have full power, and when in their judgment, a suitable design shall have been agreed upon by them and sufficient funds accumulated, shall cause to be executed and erected a monument that when completed may be grand in itself, symmetrical in architecture, beautiful in design and finish, attended with solid, thorough workmanship—a monument worthy of the true men to whom it may be dedicated. Thus carrying out in part the wishes of the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint, who by her munificence made the erection of a soldiers' monument in Wakefield possible; and any monument which may be erected shall cost not less than ten thousand dollars above the foundation.

The following gentlemen were appointed on this committee: Harvey B. Evans, Stephen W. Lufkin, William L. Coon, William N. Tyler, Oliver Walton, Charles F. Hartshorne and J. Warren Poland.

The treasurer received the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from Messrs. Harvey B. Evans and Richard Britton, executors of Mrs. Flint's estate, April 21st, 1898, and by approval of the selectmen, invested the same in a note of the town of Wakefield (Temporary Loan) dated April 21, 1898, and payable in one year from date at the rate of four per centum per annum.

STATEMENT.

Principal of fund	\$10,000 00
Received six months' interest to Oct. 21,	
1898	200 00
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Balance available	\$10,200 00

Invested as follows :

Town of Wakefield note, maturing April 21, 1899,	\$10,000 00
Wakefield Savings Bank, on deposit	200 00
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	\$10,200 00

FLINT OLD CEMETERY FUND, \$2,000.

This fund is a recent bequest from the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint and the article and vote accepting the same is as follows :

Article 31, March, 1898, warrant. — To see if the town will accept the bequest contained in the sixteenth section of the last will and testament of Mrs. Harriet N. Flint of Wakefield, for the purpose and upon the conditions therein stated, which bequest reads as follows: "I give and bequeath to the said town of Wakefield the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be held in trust by said town, and the interest and that only to be expended in improving the Old Cemetery so-called, near the Congregational church; and I request that the lot where the remains of my father and mother lie may receive proper attention, and the turf kept green and in good condition from this fund."

Voted, That the bequest of the late Mrs. Harriet N. Flint be and hereby is accepted by the town, the principal to be held in trust, and the income used as directed in her will. That the town treasurer be authorized to receive and receipt for the same, and to invest the principal in such securities as shall meet the approval of himself and the board of selectmen, and that in such investment they shall be authorized, if they deem best, to purchase the notes or bonds of the town of Wakefield. That the selectmen be authorized to take charge of the expenditures of the income in accordance with the desires of the testator as expressed in her will.

The amount of two thousand dollars (2,000) was received by

the treasurer, April 21st, 1898, from the executors of the estate of Mrs. Flint and held in the treasury until June 1, 1898, when with the approval of the selectmen it was invested in the notes of the town of Wakefield (New Cemetery Loan) maturing as rendered in the following statement :

STATEMENT.

Principal of fund	\$2,000 00
Interest from April 21 to June 1, 1898,	8 88
Interest on notes to Dec. 1, 1898	40 00
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	\$2,048 88

Invested as follows :

Town of Wakefield note, due June 1, 1900,	\$500 00
“ “ “ “ 1901,	500 00
“ “ “ “ 1902,	500 00
“ “ “ “ 1903,	500 00
Wakefield Savings Bank, on deposit	48 88
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	\$2,048 88

Balance available for the purposes named in the bequest, \$48 88.

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Appropriation authorized	\$13,500 00
Premiums and accrued interest	1,323 42
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	\$14,823 42

Expended :

Temporary Loans	\$2,631 18
Municipal Light	6,840 00
Lincoln School House	1,120 00
Warren “ “	1,280 00
Greenw'd “ “	600 00
Armory	480 00
Cemetery	110 00
Map and Survey	100 00
Acc't J. Nichols fund	3 80
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	\$13,164 98

Balance unexpended \$1,658 44

LOAN ACCOUNT.

Amount of loans, Feb. 1, 1898,	.	.	.	\$314,800 00
Notes issued, account North school house	.	.	.	14,500 00
“ “ “ New cemetery	.	.	.	5,500 00
“ “ “ temporary loans	.	.	.	113,870 00
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				\$448,670 00
Amount paid since Feb. 1, 1898,	.	.	.	125,300 00
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Amount outstanding	.	.	.	\$323,370 00

Due as follows :

TEMPORARY LOANS.

Anticipation of taxes, due April 1, 1899,	.	.	.	\$15,000 00
“ “ “ Dec. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	20,000 00
Chestnut street repairs “ Dec. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	3,000 00
Cedar street drain, “ Dec. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	2,500 00
Fall meeting appropriations, due Dec. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	8,370 00
Anticipation of taxes, due Dec. 31, 1899,	.	.	.	5,000 00
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Total	.	.	.	\$53,870 00

TIME LOANS.

New cemetery, due June 1, 1899,	.	.	.	\$500 00
Municipal light, due Oct. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	3,000 00
Warren school house, due Oct. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	2,000 00
Greenwood school house, due Oct. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	1,000 00
Lincoln school house, due Nov. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	5,000 00
North school house, due Nov. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	500 00
Map and survey, due Dec. 1, 1899,	.	.	.	500 00
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Total for 1899,	.	.	.	\$12,500 00

New cemetery, due June 1, 1900,	.	.	.	\$500 00
Municipal light, due Oct. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	3,000 00
Warren school house, due Oct. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	2,000 00
Greenwood school house, due Oct. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	1,000 00
Lincoln school house, due Nov. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	5,000 00
North school house, due Nov. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	500 00
Map and survey, due Dec. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	500 00
Armory, due Dec. 1, 1900,	.	.	.	3,000 00
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Total for 1900	.	.	.	\$15,500 00
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New cemetery, due June 1, 1901,	\$500 00
Municipal light, due Oct. 1, 1901,	3,000 00
Warren school house, due Oct. 1, 1901,	2,000 00
Greenwood school house, due Oct. 1, 1901,	1,000 00
Lincoln school house, due Nov. 1, 1901,	5,000 00
North school house, due Nov. 1, 1901,	500 00
Map and survey, due Dec. 1, 1901,	500 00
Armory, due Dec. 1, 1901,	3,000 00
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Total for 1901,	\$15,500 00

New cemetery, due June 1, 1902,	\$500 00
Municipal light, due Oct. 1, 1902,	3,000 00
Warren school house, due Oct. 1, 1902,	2,000 00
Greenwood school house, due Oct. 1, 1902,	1,000 00
Lincoln school house, due Nov. 1, 1902,	8,000 00
North school house, due Nov. 1, 1902,	500 00
Map and survey, due Dec. 1, 1902,	500 00
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Total for 1902,	\$15,500 00

New cemetery, due June 1, 1903,	\$500 00
Municipal light, due Oct. 1, 1903,	3,000 00
Warren school house, due Oct. 1, 1903,	2,000 00
Greenwood school house, due Oct. 1, 1903,	1,000 00
North school house, due Nov. 1, 1903,	500 00
Map and survey, due Dec. 1, 1903,	500 00
Armory, due Dec 1, 1903,	3,000 00
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Total for 1903	\$10,500 00

New Cemetery, due June 1, 1904	\$500 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1904	3,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1904	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1904	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1904	500 00
Armory, due Dec. 1, 1904	3,000 00
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Total for 1904	\$10,000 00

New Cemetery, due June 1, 1905 . . .	\$500 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1905 . . .	6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1905 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1905 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1905 . . .	500 00
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Total for 1905	\$10,000 00

New Cemetery, due June 1, 1906 . . .	\$500 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1906 . . .	6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1906 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1906 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1906 . . .	500 00
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Total for 1906	\$10,000 00

New Cemetery, due June 1, 1907 . . .	\$500 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1907 . . .	6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1907 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1907 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1907 . . .	500 00
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Total for 1907	\$10,000 00

New Cemetery, due June 1, 1908 . . .	\$1,000 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1908 . . .	6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1908 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1908 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1908 . . .	500 00
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Total for 1908	\$10,500 00

Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1909 . . .	\$6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1909 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1909 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1909 . . .	500 00
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Total for 1909	\$9,500 00

Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1910 . . .	\$6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1910 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1910 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1910 . . .	500 00
North School House, due Dec. 1, 1910 . . .	500 00

Total for 1910	\$10,000 00
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Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1911 . . .	\$6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1911 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1911 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1911 . . .	500 00
North School House, due Dec. 1, 1911 . . .	500 00

Total for 1911	\$10,000 00
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Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1912 . . .	\$6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1912 . . .	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, due Oct. 1, 1912 . . .	1,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1912 . . .	500 00
North School House, due Dec. 1, 1912 . . .	500 00

Total for 1912	\$10,000 00
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Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1913 . . .	\$6,000 00
Warren School House, due Oct. 1, 1913 . . .	2,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1913 . . .	500 00
North School House, due Dec. 1, 1913 . . .	500 00

Total for 1913	\$9,000 00
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Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1914 . . .	\$6,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1914 . . .	500 00
North School House, due Dec. 1, 1914 . . .	500 00

Total for 1914	\$7,000 00
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Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1915 . . .	\$9,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1915 . . .	1,000 00

Total for 1915	\$10,000 00
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Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1916	.	.	.	\$9,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1916	.	.	.	1,000 00
Total for 1916	.	.	.	<u>\$10,000 00</u>
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1917	.	.	.	\$9,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1917	.	.	.	1,000 00
Total for 1917	.	.	.	<u>\$10,000 00</u>
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1918	.	.	.	\$9,000 00
North School House, due Nov. 1, 1918	.	.	.	1,000 00
Total for 1918	.	.	.	<u>\$10,000 00</u>
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1919	.	.	.	\$9,000 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1920	.	.	.	9,000 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1921	.	.	.	9,000 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1922	.	.	.	9,000 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1923	.	.	.	9,000 00
Municipal Light, due Oct. 1, 1924	.	.	.	9,000 00

RECAPITULATION.

Due in 1899 (Temporary)	.	.	.	.	\$53,870 00
1899	.	.	.	.	12,500 00
1900	.	.	.	.	15,500 00
1901	.	.	.	.	15,500 00
1902	.	.	.	.	15,500 00
1903	.	.	.	.	10,500 00
1904	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1905	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1906	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1907	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1908	.	.	.	.	10,500 00
1909	.	.	.	.	9,500 00
1910	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1911	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1912	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1913	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
1914	.	.	.	.	7,000 00

1915	.	.	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1916	.	.	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1917	.	.	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1918	.	.	.	.	.	.	10,000 00
1919	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
1920	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
1921	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
1922	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
1923	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
1924	.	.	.	.	.	.	9,000 00
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$323,370 00</u>

RECEIPTS FROM LICENSES.

Edward Gayron, flying horses	.	.	.	.	\$4 00
George H. Teague, fireworks	.	.	.	.	1 00
Aaron Butler “	.	.	.	.	1 00
E. N. Smith “	.	.	.	.	1 00
Geo. H. Bailey “	.	.	.	.	1 00
A. Shalit, pedlar	12 00
W. E. Eaton, auctioneer	2 00
J. S. Bonney, milk	31 50
J. S. Bonney, plumbers’	6 50
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Total,	\$60 00

TOWN DEBT.

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BONDS.

18 bonds \$1,000 each, due \$3,000 each year from 1899 to 1904	\$18,000 00
60 bonds \$1,000 each, due \$6,000 each year from 1905 to 1914	60,000 00
90 bonds \$1,000 each, due \$9,000 each year from 1915 to 1924	90,000 00
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	\$168,000 00

ARMORY LOAN.

3 notes \$1,000 each, due Dec. 1, 1900 . . .	\$3,000 00
3 " " " " " 1901 . . .	3,000 00
3 " " " " " 1903 . . .	3,000 00
3 " " " " " 1904 . . .	3,000 00
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	\$12,000 00

LINCOLN SCHOOL HOUSE.

5 bonds \$1,000 each, due Nov. 1, 1899 . . .	\$5,000 00
5 " " " " " 1900 . . .	5,000 00
5 " " " " " 1901 . . .	5,000 00
1 note \$8,000, due Nov. 1, 1902 . . .	8,000 00
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	\$23,000 00

WARREN SCHOOL HOUSE.

30 bonds \$1,000 each, due \$2,000 each year from 1899 to 1913	\$30,000 00
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GREENWOOD SCHOOL HOUSE.

14 bonds \$1,000 each, due \$1,000 each year from 1899 to 1912	\$14,000 00
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TOWN MAP AND SURVEY.

5 notes \$500 each, due \$500 each year from 1899 to 1903	\$2,500 00
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NEW CEMETERY LOAN.

9 notes \$500 each, due \$500 each year from 1899 to 1907	\$4,500 00
1 note \$1,000, due June 1, 1908	1,000 00
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	\$5,500 00

NORTH SCHOOL HOUSE.

11 notes \$500 each, due \$500 each year from 1899 to 1909	\$5,500 00
18 notes \$500 each, due \$1,000 each year from 1910 to 1918	9,000 00
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	\$14,500 00

RECAPITULATION.

Municipal Light	\$168,000 00
Armory	12,000 00
Lincoln School House	23,000 00
Warren School House	30,000 00
Greenwood School House	14,000 00
Town Map and Survey	2,500 00
New Cemetery	5,500 00
North School House	14,500 00
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Total	\$269,500 00

The total debt has been increased in the sum of \$9,000, as per statement below.

Notes issued account New Cemetery Loan	\$5,500 00
Bonds " " North School House	14,500 00
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	\$20,000 00

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Municipal Light Bonds, retired	\$3,000 00
Lincoln School House, "	5,000 00
Warren " " "	2,000 00
Greenwood School House, retired,	1,000 00
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Increase,	\$9,000 00

FLOATING INDEBTEDNESS.

Loans in anticipation of taxes of 1898, and amounts appropriated after annual tax levy which by special vote are to be included in the tax levy of 1899.

Notes due Apr. 1, 1899	\$15,000 00
“ “ Dec. 1, 1899	20,000 00
“ “ Dec. 1, 1899	13,870 00
“ “ Dec. 31, 1899	5,000 00
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					\$53,870 00
Accrued interest to Feb. 1, 1899	\$3,689 12
Outstanding Town Orders	1,228 16
Balance of interest J. Nichols Fund	.	.	.	.	58 70
Held for tax sales redemption	.	.	.	.	50 00
Dog tax of 1898, not appropriated	.	.	.	.	546 63
Due Selectmen for money advanced	.	.	.	.	1,000 00
Balance of Appropriations held over:					
Municipal Light Plant	.	.	.	.	2,932 11
North Ward School House	9,300 00
Crystal street	200 00
New Salem street	158 00
Bennett street	1,610 08
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					\$74,642 80

Credit.

Cash balance in treasury	.	.	.	\$2,533 30
Due from State Aid, 1898	.	.	.	2,321 00
“ “ Military Aid, 1898	.	.	.	424 00
“ “ both, Jan., 1899	.	.	.	251 50
Uncollected taxes, 1897	.	.	.	18,779 31
“ “ 1898	.	.	.	41,688 47
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				\$65,997 58

Deficit	\$8,645 22
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This deficit is more than provided for in the votes for appropriations made subsequent to the annual meeting of 1898, which will be included in the taxes of 1899, as follows:

Chestnut street Repairs	.	.	.	\$3,000 00
Cedar street Drain	.	.	.	2,500 00
November appropriations	.	.	.	8,370 00

\$13,870 00

Less deficit	8,645 22
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Leaving nominal surplus of	.	.	.	\$5,224 78
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DR. THOMAS J. SKINNER, Treasurer,

Balance in treasury at last report	.	.	.	\$16,463	74
Hired on temporary loans	.	.	.	113,870	00
Hired on North ward school house loans	.	.	.	14,500	00
Hired on New cemetery loan	.	.	.	5,500	00
Premiums and accrued interest	.	.	.	1,323	42
Chas. E. Walton, collector of taxes, 1898	.	.	.	89,079	76
Chas. E. Walton, " " 1897	.	.	.	20,257	03
Chas. F. Woodward, " " 1896	.	.	.	629	60
Municipal plant receipts	.	.	.	18,102	33
Overseers of the poor receipts	.	.	.	2,368	66
Road commissioners' receipts	.	.	.	779	83
Selectmen, receipts from town hall	.	.	.	416	00
School committee, tuition	.	.	.	647	50
State treasurer, acct. corporation tax	.	.	.	3,707	54
" " " bank tax	.	.	.	1,016	49
" " " State aid, 1897	.	.	.	2,154	00
" " " military aid, 1897	.	.	.	444	00
" " " armory rent	.	.	.	500	00
" " " burial indigent soldiers	.	.	.	70	00
" " " State paupers	.	.	.	180	75
" " " highways	.	.	.	15	00
County treasurer " dog tax of 1898	.	.	.	546	63
W. N. Tyler, clerk of court, acct. fines	.	.	.	451	59
House of correction, acct. fines	.	.	.	40	00
Sweetser lecture fund, income	.	.	.	400	00
Sweetser lecture committee, net proceeds, 2 yrs.	.	.	.	318	05
Sweetser burial lot fund (drawn from bank)	.	.	.	411	00
Beebe town library, interest from funds	.	.	.	160	00
Beebe town library, librarian's receipts	.	.	.	23	66
J. Nichols fund, interest	.	.	.	40	00
Flint old burial ground, interest	.	.	.	48	88
Bequest from estate H. N. Flint, for old bur. ground	.	.	.	2,000	00
Bequest from estate H. N. Flint, for soldiers' mon't	.	.	.	10,000	00
Town clerk, sale of plans	.	.	.	4	50
Michael Welch, on acct. of tax redemption	.	.	.	10	00
Release of tax deeds	.	.	.	287	45
License fees received	.	.	.	60	00
Error in town orders refunded	.	.	.	62	
Cash received from board of selectmen to cover	.	.	.		
overdrawal of highway department	.	.	.	1,000	00
Interest on deposits	.	.	.	53	60
Cemetery committee, balance unexpended returned	.	.	.	20	89
				\$307,902	62

in account with the TOWN OF WAKEFIELD. CR.

By cash paid selectmen's orders	137,797 07
Principals on loans	125,300 00
Interest on loans	13,161 18
Beebe town library payments	1,138 48
Reading room payments	174 06
State aid	2,362 00
Sweetser charity "net proceeds," 2 yrs.	318 05
State treasurer, State tax	3,960 00
" " bank tax	572 80
" " Metropolitan sewerage :	
Sinking fund . . . \$110 33	
Maintenance . . . 42 30	
Interest do. . . . 437 77	
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	590 40
County treasurer, county tax	6,566 28
Sweetser lecture committee, income of fund	400 00
J. Nichols temperance fund payments	80 00
Chas. F. Woodward, collector, for tax deeds	471 12
C. W. Eaton, acct. tax deeds, etc.	18 00
Sweetser burial lot payments	411 00
Flint old burial ground income (placed in bank)	48 88
Flint bequests for soldiers' monument, invested	10,000 00
Flint bequests for burial ground, invested	2,000 00
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	\$305,359 32
Balance in treasury	2,533 30

\$307,902 62

DR. THOMAS J. SKINNER, Treasurer,

To annual appropriation	\$400 00
Dog tax of 1897	604 22
Interest from Dr. Hurd Fund, 1 yr. . .	100 00
“ “ C. Wakefield Fund, 1 yr. . .	20 00
“ “ Flint Memorial Fund, 1 yr. . .	40 00
Mrs. Harriet A. Shepard, sale of catalogues .	20 58
“ “ “ sundries . . .	3 08
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	\$1,187 88

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DR. THOMAS J. SKINNER, Treasurer,

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in account with the BEEBE TOWN LIBRARY, CR.

By balance overdrawn, as per last report . . .	\$18 66
Mrs. Harriet A. Shepard, librarian, to Feb. 1, '99	600 00
“ “ “ to sundries, . . .	23 66
Little, Brown & Co., books . . .	\$167 71
N. J. Bartlett & Co., “ .. .	197 68
Balch Bros., “ . . .	3 50
W. E. Rogers, “ . . .	3 00
W. A. Wilde & Co., “ . . .	10 00
Henry M. Meek, “ . . .	2 00
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	\$383 89
F. J. Barnard & Co., repairs of books . . .	31 23
M. P. Foster, printing, adv., etc. . . .	95 50
Wakefield Item, advertising	1 50
F. W. Pierce, express	2 70
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Total payments	\$1,157 14
Balance unexpended	30 74
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	\$1,187 88

in acct. with the PUBLIC READING ROOM, CR.

By F. J. Barnard & Co., sundry repairs . . .	\$13 80
A. H. Thayer	160 26
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Total payments	\$174 06
Balance unexpended	94
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	\$175 00

STATE AID.

The following individuals have been paid State Aid direct by the treasurer, which amount is re-imbursed by the State annually. Other State Aid, consisting of military aid, soldiers' relief, and Spanish war, is paid direct by selectmen, and will be found in auditor's report.

Branch, Wm. H.	\$72 00	Kingman, Wm. W.	\$20 00
Brown, Mary V.	48 00	Locke, Lucinda	8 00
Burdett, John W.	48 00	Madden, Margaret	48 00
Beard, Sarah B.	28 00	Mansfield, Jas. F.	48 00
Blair, James H.	42 00	McLaughlin, J. B.	48 00
Blair, Mary J.	28 00	Mellen, Hattie	48 00
Baxter, Augustus G.	16 00	Miller, Elizabeth A.	48 00
Baxter, Mrs. A. G.	16 00	Moses, Elizabeth	48 00
Chandler, Augusta M.	48 00	Newhall, Lucien E.	48 00
Cowdrey, Adah E.	24 00	Oliver, James	54 00
Cutter, Lizzie S.	48 00	O'Connell, Dennis	12 00
Davis, Annette	48 00	O'Connell, Mary	32 00
Davis, Angelina	40 00	Ogden, James	4 00
Dennison, Elizabeth	48 00	Parker, W. D.	48 00
Douglas, Elizabeth	48 00	Parker, Flora W.	36 00
Dadley, Wm. R. P.	32 00	Ryder, Florence A. B.	48 00
Edmands, Rodney	44 00	Sweeney, William	8 00
Ellis, Frank M.	48 00	Shanahan, Daniel A.	48 00
Emerson, John H.	72 00	Skinner, Ann M.	40 00
Emerson, Hannah M.	48 00	Stevens, Emma	20 00
Evans, Wm. O.	36 00	Townsend, Geo. W.	48 00
Evans, Honora	48 00	Walsh, Louisa	48 00
Fay, Patrick	24 00	Wiley, Julia A.	48 00
Fay, Mary	12 00	Wiley, Elbridge A.	48 00
Foster, Mary F.	48 00	Willan, Elvira	48 00
Fairbanks, Zephaniah F.	10 00	Woodis, Vasti	48 00
Hall, Mary A.	48 00	Whipple, Bethiah	48 00
Hamilton, Margaret	48 00	Whitford, John	72 00
Hawkes, John	36 00		
Hawkes, Dolly	36 00		
Kidder, Matilda L.	48 00		
		Total . .	\$2,362 00

LIST OF TAX DEEDS HELD BY THE TREASURER FOR NON-
PAYMENT OF TAXES.

No.	To Whom Taxed.	Tax of	Date of Deed.	Amount.
109	Sarah W. Stevens.....	1887	July 13, 1889.	\$37.33
113	John D. Young.....	1888	Aug. 11, 1890.	6.27
114	Isaac Evans.....	1888	" " "	6.27
115	Stephen D. Learnard.....	1889	June 27, 1891.	7.48
116	Samuel P. Abbott.....	1889	" " "	7.48
117	Chas. N. Campbell.....	1889	" " "	6.75
118	Samuel P. Abbott.....	1890	June 6, 1892.	7.55
119	Stephen D. Learnard.....	1890	" " "	7.55
121	Frank I. Barrett.....	1891	July 3, 1893.	10.33
122	Samuel P. Abbott.....	1881	" " "	7.65
124	Stephen D. Learnard.....	1891	" " "	7.65
125	Martha M. C. Reid.....	1891	" " "	50.45
127	John Doherty.....	1892	Sept. 3, 1894.	17.70
128	Stephen D. Learnard.....	1892	" " "	7.74
129	Martha M. C. Reid.....	1892	" " "	59.53
130	Martha M. C. Reid.....	1893	June 4, 1895.	56.90
131	Albert T. Emery.....	1893	" " "	11.00
132	Rebecca M. Stanley.....	1893	" " "	7.31
137	Martha M. C. Reid.....	1894	June 8, 1896.	64.90
138	Elizabeth Dearborn.....	1895	July 19, 1897.	8.55
140	David H. Bigelow.....	1895	" " "	42.27
142	David Gillespie.....	1895	" " "	150.60
144	James Scales.....	1895	" " "	7.42
145	James Scales.....	1895	" " "	8.35
146	Sarah E. Pratt.....	1895	" " "	10.59
147	Sarah H. Boynton....	1896	Feb. 21, 1898.	84.26
148	John Hay.....	1896	" " "	7.04
149	Elizabeth Dearborn.....	1896	" " "	8.66
151	Michael Welch.....	1896	" " "	21.34
152	Martha M. C. Reid.....	1896	" " "	68.06

NOTE AND BOND ACCOUNT.

NOTES AND BONDS ISSUED.

Date.	Amount.	Account.	Rate.	When Payable.
April 1, 1898.	\$5,000	Temporary.	4 per ct.	April 1, 1899.
" " "	20,000	"	4.69 "	Oct. 10, 1898.
" 21, "	10,000	"	4 "	April 21, 1899.
May 26, "	10,000	"	3.18 "	Nov. 26, 1898.
" " "	10,000	"	3.18 "	" " "
June 1, "	5,500	Cemetery.	4 "	Annually from '99.
" 30, "	10,000	Temporary.	3.05 "	Dec. 30, 1898.
" " "	10,000	"	3.05 "	" " "
Nov. 1, "	12,000	North School.	*4 "	{ \$500 annually to 1909
Dec. 1, "	2,500	" "	†4 "	{ \$1000 " " 1918
" 1, "	20,000	Temporary.	‡4 "	Dec. 1, 1898.
" 1, "	3,000	Chestnut Street.	‡4 "	" " "
" 1, "	2,500	Cedar St. Drain.	‡4 "	" " "
" 1, "	8,370	Nov. Approp'ns.	‡4 "	" " "
" 31, "	5,000	Temporary.	4 "	" 31, "
Total.	\$133,870			

* Sold at 1.0703.

† Sold at 1.0775.

‡ Sold at 1.0075.

NOTES AND BONDS PAID.

Date of Note.	When Paid.	Amount.	Account.
Apr. 1, 1897....	Apr. 1, 1898.	\$ 5,000 00	Temporary Loan.
Nov. 4, 1897....	May 4, "	20,000 00	Temporary Loan.
Dec. 1, 1897....	June 1, "	2,500 00	Temporary Loan.
Dec. 1, 1897....	June 1, "	500 00	Temporary Loan.
Oct. 1, 1894....	Oct. 1, "	3,000 00	Municipal Light.
Apr. 1, 1896....	Oct. 1, "	2,000 00	Warren School.
Apr. 1, 1896....	Oct. 1, "	1,000 00	Greenwood School.
Apr. 1, 1898....	Oct 10, "	20,000 00	Temporary Loan.
May 1, 1891....	Nov. 1, "	5,000 00	Lincoln School.
Nov. 4, 1897....	Nov. 4, "	10,000 00	Temporary Loan.
Nov. 4, 1897....	Nov. 4, "	5,000 00	Temporary Loan.
Nov. 4, 1897....	Nov. 4, "	5,000 00	Temporary Loan.
May 26, 1898....	Nov. 26, "	10,000 00	Temporary Loan.
May 26, 1898....	Nov. 26, "	10,000 00	Temporary Loan.
Dec. 1, 1897....	Dec. 1, "	6,300 00	Temporary Loan.
June 30, 1898....	Dec. 30, "	10,000 00	Temporary Loan.
June 30, 1898....	Dec. 30, "	10,000 00	Temporary Loan.
	Total.	\$125,300 00	

CLOSING REMARKS.

During the year 1899 the following amounts will enter the tax levy from votes already passed :

Municipal Light Plant	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,000 00
Lincoln School House	.	.	.	.	.	5,000 00
Warren " "	.	.	.	.	.	2,000 00
Greenw'd " "	.	.	.	.	.	1,000 00
North " "	.	.	.	.	.	500 00
Map and Survey	.	.	.	.	.	500 00
New Cemetery	.	.	.	.	.	500 00
W. Chestnut St. Repairs	3,000 00
Cedar Street Drain	2,500 00
November appropriations	8,370 00
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						\$26,370 00

There will be a further sum required for interest, \$14,000, making a total of \$40,370 before any appropriations are made at the annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. SKINNER, *Treasurer.*

WAKEFIELD, Feb. 10, 1899.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF MILK.

TO THE HONORABLE SELECTMEN, TOWN OF WAKEFIELD, MASS:

The inspector has collected at nine different times during the year sixty-one samples of whole milk, which he caused to be analyzed, the average solids of which were found to be twelve and eighty-six one hundredths (12.86) per cent.

No samples of whole milk were found of sufficiently low standard to make it advisable to prosecute. Complaint having been received of the quality of skimmed milk sold from the milk car of H. P. Hood & Sons, six samples were taken at the Boston and Maine Railroad Station from local dealers immediately after being taken from the car.

All of the samples were found to be below the standard for skimmed milk, viz.: nine and three-tenths (9.3) per cent. of solids, exclusive of fat and conviction was secured upon complaint and a fine of fifty dollars imposed.

The number of licenses issued during the year is fifty-five (55) and eight registrations as dealers at stand, booth or market places.

The inspector has during the past year paid the market-price for samples taken, as that removes technical complications in proving complaints where intention to sell is alleged.

The expenses of the inspector for the year are as follows:

For inspection and analysis	\$100 00
Advertising appointment, Citizen and Banner	2 00
Wakefield Daily Item	1 50
Geo. H. Hathaway, team for visiting dairies	1 00
67 pints of milk at 3 cents	2 01
Total	<hr/> \$106 51

CORRECTION.

Receipts 55 licenses	\$27 50	
“ 8 registrations	4 00	\$31 50
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						\$75 01
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						\$50 00
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Net cost	\$25 01

The \$50 fine comes back to the town.

JOSIAH S. BONNEY,

Inspector of Milk.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD, MASS.

The town has been fortunate during the last twelve months in the small amount of sickness and the absence of any considerable epidemic of disease.

The death rate is unusually low this year and will compare favorably with that of other towns similarly situated. The total number of deaths for the year is, excluding still births, which are not included in figuring death rates, one hundred and twenty-seven (127) ; still births, twelve.

The death rate for the year on the estimated population for 1898 is 13.99 per thousand.

The physicians have reported the following cases of contagious diseases : Diphtheria, 7 ; Scarlet Fever, 22 ; Measles, 21 ; Typhoid Fever, 11.

The board would urge the necessity for the early establishment of a sewer for at least the business portion of the town.

The method of disposal of sewage in the center of the town is in the opinion of this board a menace to public health and entirely unfit and discreditable to such a community as ours, and there can be devised no way which is not quite or nearly as objectionable, excepting a sewer to carry it off.

It is believed that in securing the services of an expert plumber to inspect all sanitary and soil pipe connections in plumbing, a permanent sanitary advantage has been gained by the community, and by the tenants of the inspected houses in particular.

All sanitary plumbing done is examined by a disinterested expert and the work done is as good as can be found anywhere.

This will be of great value in the event of a sewer being built as all plumbing now inspected is in proper condition for sewer connection.

Paid out for the 1898:

Unpaid bills for 1897	\$206 56
G. S. Tukey, inspector of plumbing	349 50
Wm. H. McCausland, services	146 20
Charles Dutton, M. D., medical attendance	42 00
Joseph W. Heath, M. D., medical attendance	28 00
Josiah S. Bonney, drugs and services	19 39
Butler Bros., fumigating	8 50
Edw. E. Lee, groceries furnished families quarantined	45 50
Dead animals (buried upon complaint)	3 00
Mansfield & Cheney, coal (quarantined family)	3 66
Labor cleaning Center pond, 2 days	4 00
Constable service	1 10
Telephone service (1897 and 1898)	20 85
500 printed envelopes	10 90
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	\$888 50

Received:

Plumbers' Licenses	\$6 50
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JOSEPH W. HEATH, M. D.,
WM. H. McCAUSLAND,
JOSIAH S. BONNEY.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF HEALTH :

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit the following report of duty performed from Jan. 1, 1898, to Jan. 1, 1899.

There have been one hundred and twenty-seven permits granted, which have been inspected and tested and left in a safe and thorough condition and I have no scruples in saying the work performed by our plumbers has been first-class (second to none).

There has been no violation of the town ordinance but what has been adjusted to the satisfaction of the Board and inspector.

Much dissatisfaction has been expressed by the plumbers of Wakefield owing to the disadvantages met with in winter, viz.: chilling of the metal, cold from open houses, etc., they being obliged, according to the town ordinance, to set all traps before the test is made.

Therefore I will recommend to your notice, for approval, that between the months of November and April they be released from setting their traps, but put in place all spuds to take the same and that a second inspection be made when traps are set, but in all occupied houses where there is heat, also the remaining months of the year I recommend no change, whatever, and I think with instructions from your Honorable Board this change can be made without any alteration of the ordinance, which I would not recommend.

I sincerely thank the secretary and other members of the board for their hearty support and kind assistance, also the craft, for the gentlemanly manner in which they have assisted me in the performance of my duty.

Most respectfully,

G. S. TUKEY, *Inspector.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

—OF—

THE BEEBE TOWN LIBRARY

—AND—

PUBLIC READING ROOM,

—WITH A—

LIST OF PERIODICALS

IN THE READING ROOM.

1899.

ORGANIZATION OF TRUSTEES.

Chairman	.	.	.	.	.	.	William E. Rogers.
Treasurer	.	.	.	.	.	.	Thomas J. Skinner.
Secretary	.	.	.	.	.	.	William W. Taft.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

LIBRARY.

Peter S. Roberts, Charles N. Winship, Otis V. Waterman.

FINANCE.

Otis V. Waterman, Harry Foster, Ashton H. Thayer.

BOOKS.

Harry Foster, Maitland P. Foster, Peter S. Roberts,
William W. Taft, William E. Rogers, Mrs. Emma F. Howland.

READING ROOM.

Maitland P. Foster, Ashton H. Thayer,
Charles N. Winship, William W. Taft.

CATALOGUE.

Mrs. Emma F. Howland, Maitland P. Foster, William E. Rogers.

Librarian	.	.	.	.	.	Harriet A. Shepard.
Janitor of Reading Room,	.	.	.	.	.	Rufus F. Draper.
Purchasing agent for Library .	.	.	.	.	.	William E. Rogers.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

The past year has been for the reader a phenomenal one, inasmuch as its chief topic has been war, and war makes history. For the first time in a generation our country has listened to the roar of its guns in hostile combat; we heard the drum and bugle, and with moistened eyes we cheered the old flag as it broke out to the breeze, for the nation was at last awake to the fact that it had a mission to perform without its confines. What that mission was and how we carried it out has been a matter of intense interest to all readers. For obvious reasons newspapers and magazines, those daily, weekly and monthly books, have had the call over bound volumes. The former give us the events as they occur in swift rotation, while the latter sum them up and set forth the results arrived at.

The trustees of your library have done their best with their exceedingly limited means to furnish the public access to books containing descriptions and illustrations of the stirring scenes of the war as viewed by eye-witnesses. The whole world is today talking of our startling and complete success at arms. Why was it and how was it that we made so clean a sweep and with such astoundingly far reaching results? It was not due to our strength and numbers alone, but in a great measure it was owing to brains. Had that Spanish official, who boasted before war was declared that if it came he would engage with twenty-five thousand men to capture Washington and plant the red and yellow banner of Spain on our capitol, had the advantages of our schools and public libraries he would never have made that speech. The Spaniard was absolutely ignorant of us, and we, through those very agencies, knew his resources, character, and ability thoroughly. The school and public library furnish education, and education must always win, and the history of the world proves it has. But we must not forget that the conquest of Spain and her retirement

from the western hemisphere is not the only page of history recorded in 1898. The British lion who so haltingly advanced toward Khartoum in 1884 at his child's cry of distress, and who at the sight of its mangled form so ingloriously retired, has wakened and in his retributory march through the Soudan never faltered until Mahdism is but a horrible dream of the past and the habitation of one of its devotees is unknown. For a brief but graphic account of the utter annihilation of the False Prophet's vast army we invite attention to our catalogue of purchases.

But war changes the map of the world, and how much our war is to change it is a question which we have at the present writing yet to decide. We offer our readers some of the very latest and most accurate books of information on the subject of the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico. We feel that it is too bad that we had not the money to buy more than we did for our library upon these topics of vital interest; these are the times when *we* are making history, and there are books which our citizens ought to have the opportunity to read and which we cannot buy. We believe that our mission is and our aim must be to provide books which can and will educate the reader, and we find that, like the enameled and sugar-coated tablets of medicine of today, the more the book disguises and conceals its educational purport the more popular it is. The photographic and half-tone illustrations of modern literature, while expensive, so enliven and make attractive its information that we wonder that the dry prose of fifty years ago was read at all generally.

We have added a number of works on art, science, sociology, biography, history, travel and geography, but they are all too few, because books of permanent value on these subjects are costly and the majority of the library's patrons must and will have fiction or nothing. This taste must not, however, be put aside as all wrong. The best works of fiction are potent, vital factors in the acquirement of an education. One cannot read them without learning something on the great topics above mentioned. We are not buying what we ought nor adding what the town owes its citizens, nor can we until reading men are alive to the act that Wakefield is doing about one-half as much for its public

Library as other towns of our size are. Our librarian's report shows that we have issued nearly twice as many cards as we did the year before, and our circulation has increased by some 3000 books. This is certainly a handsome showing.

BEQUEST.

That good friend to and life-long worker in the cause of education, Mr. Franklin Poole, during the past year left in his will a bequest of \$500 to the library, which will be paid as soon as the town votes to accept it. We hope his example will be emulated. The trustees have voted to procure and hang in the library a picture of its generous friend.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The trustees again urge that they cannot do justice to the wants of the readers upon the amount hitherto appropriated and, as last year, are unanimous in recommending for the library an appropriation of \$500 and the proceeds of the 1898 dog tax. For the Public Reading Room they recommend \$175 be appropriated.

VACANCIES.

The terms of office of Messrs. Waterman, Rogers and Thayer expire with the current year, and it will be necessary to elect three successors each for a term of three years.

In accordance with custom we call attention to the following books purchased during the year :

HISTORY.

The Building of The British Empire	.	.	A. T. Story.
The First Republic in America	.	.	A. Brown.
The Story of The Revolution	.	.	H. C. Lodge.

RECOLLECTION AND REMINISCENCE.

Marching with Gomez	.	.	Grover Flint.
Cannon and Camera	.	.	J. C. Hemment.
The Cuban and Porto Rican Campaigns	.	.	R. H. Davis.
Recollections of The Civil War	.	.	C. A. Dana.
With Kitchener to Khartoum	.	.	G. W. Stevens.

TRAVEL AND RESEARCH.

The Philippine Islands	D. C. Worcester.
Cuba and Porto Rico	Hill.
A Land of Contrasts	Muirhead.

SOCIOLOGY.

The Workers—East	} W. A. Wyckoff.
The Workers—West	

SCIENCE AND ART.

Painting and Decorating	W. Pearce.
Dictionary of Electrical Words	E. J. Houston.

BIOGRAPHY.

Bismarck	M. Busch.
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SPORTS AND SPORTING.

With Rod and Gun	E. A. Samuels.
Birds that Hunt and are Hunted	N. Blanchan.

FICTION.

For Love of Country	C. T. Brady.
Dreamers of The Ghetto	I. Zangwell.
The Red Bridge Neighborhood	M. L. Poole.
Corleone	F. M. Crawford.
Ave Roma	" "
Caleb West	F. H. Smith.
Battle of The Strong	G. Parker.
Red Rock	T. N. Page.
Helbeck of Bannisdale	Mrs. H. Ward.
Day's Work	R. Kipling.
In The Midst of Life	A. Bierce.
The General Manager's Story	Hamblen.
Forest Lovers	M. Hewlett.
Prisoners of Hope	

For the Trustees,

WM. E. ROGERS, *Chairman.*

Periodicals in Public Reading Room.

Atlantic Monthly	<i>m</i>	Life	<i>w</i>
Arena	<i>m</i>	Lippincott's Magazine	<i>m</i>
American Architect	<i>m</i>	Literary World	<i>m</i>
Argonaut	<i>m</i>	Leslie's Weekly	<i>m</i>
Blackwood's Magazine	<i>m</i>	Ladies' Home Journal	<i>m</i>
Boston Daily Journal	<i>d</i>	Munsey's	<i>m</i>
Boston Daily Herald	<i>d</i>	McClure's	<i>m</i>
Boston Sunday Journal	<i>w</i>	Metal Worker	<i>m</i>
Boston Sunday Globe	<i>w</i>	National Magazine	<i>m</i>
Birds	<i>m</i>	New England Magazine,	<i>m</i>
Century	<i>m</i>	New York Weekly Tribune,	<i>w</i>
Carpentry and Building,	<i>m</i>	North American Review,	<i>m</i>
Cosmopolitan	<i>m</i>	Outing	<i>m</i>
Citizen and Banner	<i>w</i>	Outlook	<i>w</i>
Current Literature	<i>m</i>	Pall Mall Magazine	<i>m</i>
Forum	<i>m</i>	Puck	<i>w</i>
Forest and Stream	<i>m</i>	Popular Science Monthly,	<i>m</i>
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Magazine	<i>m</i>	Public Opinion	<i>w</i>
Good Housekeeping	<i>m</i>	Recreation	<i>m</i>
Great Round World	<i>w</i>	Review of Reviews	<i>m</i>
Harper's Magazine	<i>m</i>	St. Nicholas	<i>m</i>
Harper's Weekly	<i>w</i>	Strand	<i>m</i>
Harper's Bazar	<i>w</i>	Scribner's	<i>m</i>
Harper's Round Table	<i>m</i>	Self Culture	<i>w</i>
Illustrated American	<i>m</i>	Success	<i>m</i>
Irish World	<i>w</i>	Scientific American	<i>w</i>
Judge	<i>m</i>	Shooting and Fishing	<i>m</i>
Literary Digest	<i>m</i>	Youth's Companion	<i>w</i>

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Number of volumes in the Library, February 1, 1898,	12,847
Added by purchase during the year	276
“ “ “ to replace worn out volumes	67
“ “ donations	
Magazines bound from the reading room	20
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	13,257
Volumes worn out during the year	118
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Total number of volumes in the Library, Feb. 1, 1899,	13,139.

Donations from

United States	14
State of Massachusetts	20
Mrs. H. I. Hanlon	4
Junius Beebe, Esq.	2
Franklin Poole, Esq.	1
C. A. M. Taber, Esq.	1
S. W. Abbott, M. D.	1
W. A. Richardson, Esq.	1
C. F. Palmer	1
J. F. Segerson	1
First Church, Reading	1
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Persons having signed application cards for receiving books during 1898	672
Number of books delivered from Feb. 1, 1898 to Feb. 1, 1899	26,675
(Delivered in 1897)	23,506
Books delivered during January, 1899	3,071
Largest number delivered in one day	354
Number of volumes replaced during the year	67
Number of volumes rebound during the year	187

HARRIET A. SHEPARD, *Librarian.*

WAKEFIELD, February 1, 1899.

ENGINEERS' REPORT.

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN :

Gentlemen,—In accordance with the requirements of the duties of the fire engineers, we herewith present our annual report of the fire department for the year ending January 31, 1899. The report embraces detail statements showing the working force, the number of fires and alarms responded to, with their loss and insurance, as near as was possible to ascertain, together with such other information as may be of interest to you.

MEMBERSHIP.

The present force of the department is as follows :

One chief and two assistant chiefs.

One steamer company, 11 men.

One hook and ladder company, 15 men.

Two hose companies, 10 men each.

Total force of 49 officers and men.

There is also one volunteer company at Greenwood, also one at Montrose, that respond to alarms in their immediate vicinity.

APPARATUS.

The several pieces of apparatus are all in first-class condition with the possible exception of the boiler of the steamer; and it may be necessary during the next year to have a new boiler. The boiler has been in use continually since the purchase of the engine in 1882. It has already outlived the average life of boilers in steam fire engines.

HOSE.

The total amount of serviceable hose in the department is 5,800 feet. It will be necessary the coming year to provide for

the purchase of 1,000 feet to take the place of that which has already been condemned and to replace that which may give out.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

The fire alarm telegraph has, with constant care and watching, been kept in good condition. The usual repairs—replacing of worn parts, and re-locating of wires, etc.—have been made during the year. The line has also been extended, and one new box, No. 24, has been added. The total number of boxes in service is 22.

HORSES.

Acting under the advice of the board of engineers together with the unanimous approval of the town's finance committee, the town wisely, in our opinion, voted at the last annual meeting four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450) for the purchase of three horses, and appointed the fire engineers, road commissioner, and Mr. Tobias Libbey a committee to purchase the same. The committee at their first meeting unanimously voted to leave the matter of the purchase of the same entire'y with Mr. Libbey, he being a practical horseman, also in a position to procure the same much lower than we probab'y could.

We believe that the town has as good horses as any town could desire, and they were procured considerably less than horses generally are for fire purposes, and the town is certainly under much obligation to Mr. Libbey for the interest he took in procuring them.

It should not be expected that the first year's work is a fair average of what can be expected of them, as we were handicapped in several ways. It was not until June 1 that the horses were received. They were more or less sick at first, not being acclimated, and in our opinion it would not be good judgment to then put them at work on the highway.

The town neither owned collars, teams or harnesses, and we were obliged to hire the same. They were finally put to work on the highway on Sept. 7, and the following weekly earnings up to the big snow storm of Nov. 26 will show what can be done with them under favorable conditions. The following table shows the

weekly earnings of one man and a pair of horses, we always keeping one man and one horse at the engine house, and the entire three horses at the engine house fifteen out of the twenty-four hours :

EARNINGS.

Week ending	Sept. 10,	\$24.00
"	" " 17,	33.00
"	" " 24,	24.00
"	Oct. 1,	26.00
"	" " 8,	24.66
"	" " 15,	33.00
"	" " 22,	24.00
"	" " 29,	27.00
"	Nov. 5,	36.00
"	" " 12,	18.00
"	" " 19,	21.00
"	" " 26,	21.33

Total earnings for Snow Work, \$40.50.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following members of the Fire Department volunteered their services in the recent Spanish-American war :—

Harvey Brockbank,
James Keough,
Henry Fiendle,
Charles Parker,
Albert Myers.

Substitute Members.

Fred Wiggin,
A. R. Sedgerly,
George Forsythe,
Harry Alden,
E. Dulong,
J. McLain,
Geo. Ayscough.

All of them returned home safely with the exception of Corporal Chas. Parker who died on July 23 on board the U. S. transport Yale en route to Porto Rico. Mr. Parker was an ex-

ceptionally good fireman, and his sad death was keenly felt, not only by the company to which he was attached, but by the entire Fire Department.

FIRES AND ALARMS.

The following is the list of alarms and fires during the year, together with their loss and insurance as near as was possible to ascertain.

Friday, March 4, 2.45 a. m., Box 35. Barn owned and occupied by George H. Hathaway, Mechanic street, loss on building, \$2,650; loss on contents, \$3,850; insurance on building, \$7,000; insurance on contents, \$12,000. Cause, unknown.

Sunday, March 13, 5.10 p. m., Box 8. House on Nahant near Melvin street, no loss. Cause, soot in chimney.

Thursday, March 24, 2.40 p. m., Box 23, Cowdrey's hill. Unoccupied house owned by Wm. E. Livingstone, value of house, \$500; loss on building, \$500; insurance on building, \$500. Cause, from grass fire.

Saturday, April 19, 12.37 a. m., Box 35. House on Rockwell street, owned by Chas. H. Perkins. Cause, burning of mattress; loss small.

Friday, April 22, 1.53 p. m., Box 32. Stone crusher building on Valley street, no damage.

Thursday, April 28, 11.10 a. m., Box 8. House owned by J. D. Gowing, Valley corner Hart street. Cause, soot in chimney.

Thursday, April 28, 11.50 p. m., Box 8. Dwelling corner Hart and Valley streets, owned by J. D. Gowing. Cause, sparks from chimney, loss small.

Thursday, June 30, 5.47 p. m., Box 35. House owned and occupied by James A. Day, 12 Richardson avenue, value of building, \$3,500; loss of building, \$50; loss of contents, \$25. Cause, from gas pipes.

Monday, July 4, 12.10 a. m., Box 15. House owned and occupied by Mrs. Mary Stringer, 41 Nahant street. Value building, \$600. Loss on building, \$150. Insurance on building, \$700. Value of contents, \$300. Loss of contents, \$75. Insurance on contents, \$250. Cause, unknown.

Wednesday, July 13, 10.40 a. m., Box 26. Dwelling, 98 West Chestnut street, owned by Mrs. Katharine Ransom, occupied by Chas. H. Howe. Value of building, \$3,700. Loss on building, \$75. Insurance on building, \$2,800. Value of contents, \$1,300. Loss of contents, \$500. Insurance of contents, \$1,000.

Wednesday, July 13, 3.05 p. m., Box 25. Dwelling in Stoneham, unoccupied. Cause, unknown.

Friday, July 15, 2.02 p. m., Box 35. High School building on Main street, owned by town, occupied by town. Cause, tin-smith's blow lamp. Loss, small.

Thursday, July 21, 3.30 p. m., Box 54. Dwelling house, off Salem street, owned by Chas. Walker. Cause, lightning. Loss, small.

Friday, July 29, 6.14 p. m., Box 35. House owned by A. S. Atherton, 32 Albion street. Cause, boy playing with matches. No loss.

Sunday, Aug. 7, 2.15 a. m. Still alarm. Stable, owned by G. H. Hathaway, Mechanic street. Cause, incendiary. No loss.

Monday, Sept. 26, 3.23 p. m., Box 8. Shed, corner Hart and Melvin streets. Cause, unknown. Loss, small.

Monday, Nov. 7, 1.00 p. m., Box 25. House of J. P. Smith, Jr., Park avenue. Cause, kerosene stove. Loss, small.

Tuesday, Nov. 15, 8.05 a. m., Box 23. House owned by Building Association, occupied by N. D. Mayo, 17 Murray street. Cause, upsetting of stove. Loss of contents, \$75. Loss on building, \$45.

Monday, Nov. 28, 3.10 p. m., Box 24. House occupied by T. Mahoney, 44 Bartley street. Cause, burning of rags in cellar. No loss.

LEVI FLANDERS,
EDWARD S. JACOB,
WM. E. CADE,
Engineers.

SWEETSER CHARITY.

WAKEFIELD, February 1, 1899.

ELLEN S. ROGERS, Treasurer,

In account with SWEETSER CHARITY.

DR.

To balance on hand Feb. 1, 1898	\$163 71
Interest on deposit	5 62
Cash from Sweetser lectures	128 72
Cash from appropriations	1 45
Total	\$299 50

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By disbursements during the year	\$80 38
Balance on hand	\$219 12

ELLEN S. ROGERS, *Treasurer.*

OVERSEERS' REPORT.

The board of overseers herewith submit their annual report. The farm is in good condition, considerable meadow land has been reclaimed, we have cut sixty tons of hay.

The house will need thorough repairs inside and out this year, practically nothing having been done inside the house for seventeen years. We have at present twenty-one inmates and are very much crowded for room.

The board thinks the \$570 appropriated for the windmill would have been more wisely expended in making much needed repairs inside the house. The town must very soon make a large addition to the present house, or build a separate house, as the State inspectors are insisting upon the separation of the sexes, which cannot be done in the present house.

The barn, also, should be repaired and enlarged this year; it needs painting badly.

As in the past, we have this year expended for various persons, \$519.39, which has been refunded and does not appear in our report.

During the year we have cared for 2,852 tramps at an expense of \$280.

Seventeen years ago this spring, "Uncle Hiram" Eaton became a member of this board and during that time he has honestly and conscientiously served the town. During the last two months he has been confined to his home by serious illness, and as he is not a candidate for re-election, we wish to place on record our appreciation of those qualities which make a *man*, the noblest work of God.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. CUTTER,
WILLIS S. MASON.

February 6th, 1899.

POOR DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.	
Spring appropriation	\$6,000 00
Fall " 	2,500 00
	<hr/> \$8,500 00

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.	
From sale of milk	\$1,311 61
" " calves	6 50
" use of bull	32 50
" board of Mr. Stack	120 00
" " Mr. Pickering	24 00
" " Mr. Taylor and wife	70 00
" " Oliver	12 00
" " workmen	16 00
" " horse	40 00
" sale of wood	44 63
" " hay	7 75
" premium at fair	3 00
	<hr/> \$1,687 99

OUTSIDE RECEIPTS.	
State of Massachusetts, various accounts	\$190 24
Town of Braintree, Pratt	28 96
" Stoneham, Roberts	15 00
" Danvers, Skinner	4 02
City of Woburn, Sullivan	7 99
" Boston, Brewer	32 00
" Boston, Hennessy	15 02
" Lynn, Roach	45 93
Error in bill, Dr. Sopher	29 50
" " S. J. Putney	1 00
	<hr/> \$369 66

Total receipts	\$10,557 65
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EXPENSES OF OUTSIDE POOR.

EXPENSES AT INSTITUTIONS.

Margaret Ogilvie, at Danvers . . .	\$169 46
John Froton, at Mass. School F. M. . .	212 16
Abbie L. McKee, at Taunton . . .	212 17
Eliza Green, at Westborough . . .	212 17
Sarah Bachelder, at Mrs. W. J. Green's . . .	146 00
Hannah C. Flynn, at Danvers . . .	169 46
Geo. W. Clark, at " . . .	169 46
Chas. H. Potter, at " . . .	147 46
Hannah Lyons, at Medfield . . .	182 80
Annie A. Emerson, at Danvers . . .	169 46
Victorine E. Marsh, " . . .	157 89
Mary Regan, at Medfield . . .	182 80
W. L. Hawes, at Danvers . . .	206 60
Elizabeth Chadbourne, at Danvers . . .	169 46
Louis Neiss, at truant school . . .	91 00
John Dorneiden, at Danvers . . .	147 23
Annie O. Wenzel, " . . .	169 46
Solon Green, " . . .	169 46
Patrick Walsh, " . . .	28 27
Lucy J. Grinnell, " . . .	195 92
Jas. P. Bailey, " . . .	13 46
Katie M. Lee, " . . .	29 25
Elizabeth Hiatt, at Taunton . . .	65 46
	<hr/> \$3,416 86

AID TO PERSONS RESIDING HERE WITH SETTLEMENTS ELSEWHERE.

Mrs. C. Roach, Lynn . . .	\$28 55
John Watts, State of Mass. . .	106 71
Geo. E. Pratt, Braintree . . .	1 50
Jas. Hennessey, Boston . . .	2 00
Jos. Muse, State of Mass. . .	3 97
Mrs. Julia Sullivan, Woburn . . .	43 84
Arthur Muse, State of Mass. . .	3 49
Mrs. Walter J. McIntire, No. Reading . . .	7 00
Edward Ward, Stoneham . . .	15 00

Geo. O. McIntire, No. Reading . . .	3 00
Fletcher children, State of Mass. . .	19 43
Alma E. Shaumberg, " " . . .	212 53
Mrs. E. A. Averell, " " . . .	28 15

 475 17

AID TO NON-RESIDENTS WITH SETTLEMENTS HERE.

Mrs. Thomas Bacon and children, at Lynn	\$31 50
Mrs. C. W. Whitney, at Bridgewater . .	62 85
Mrs. P. O'Rourke and children, at Chelsea	48 00
T. Haggerty and family, at Natick . .	202 00
Chas. Ohlsen and family, at Lynn . . .	12 00
Mary E. Burlington, at Boston . . .	1 35
Mary J. O'Conner, at Malden . . .	104 00
Geo. E. Young, at Franklin . . .	252 79
Mary Connell, at Lynn . . .	66 00
W. H. Piper, at Lynn . . .	16 00
Mary Smith, at Chelsea . . .	17 75
Raymond Banks, at Boston . . .	5 15

 \$819 39

OUTSIDE HOME RELIEF.

John Connell and family . . .	7 80
Liza Barry . . .	51 26
Michael Fay and family . . .	1 97
Hannah Lonnergan . . .	42 00
A. A. Magee and family . . .	10 35
Mrs. M. Mertins . . .	18 59
Mrs. O. Haney and family . . .	30 34
John Doyle and family . . .	73 85
Mrs. Jane Skully . . .	2 00
Jas. Doyle and family . . .	28 89
Mrs. J. O'Cleary and family . . .	128 89
Mrs. C. W. Myers and family . . .	178 57
Mrs. J. Dorneiden and family . . .	56 16
J. Roach and family . . .	29 96
Mrs. Jas. Bransfield . . .	73 96

Mrs. S. F. Golladay and family . . .	7 97
Mrs. J. O'Hara and family . . .	18 82
Mrs. J. White	3 12
C. T. Boyce and family	14 10
Mrs. W. O. Nickerson and family . . .	53 04
Mrs. William Coleman and family . . .	40 75
Daniel E. Frost	5 98
Mrs. Jaquith	24 41
P. Hennissey	8 57
Albert Hawkes	28 25
Daniel Sullivan	65 00
Mrs. S. E. Allard	3 00
Mrs. Jos. Smith and family	178 78
J. E. Doucette	14 19
Mrs. Maloney	3 00
Jennie Callahan	65 87
Isaiah Doucette	3 50
Thos. Welch	4 00
Annie Doucette	10 00
J. J. Hanglin and family	103 65
Mrs. Hubbard	45 00
Chlora Marshall	37 26
Esther A. Wilson	2 00
Chas. Mitchell	6 00
Augustine N. Dudley	33 00
Mrs. Jessie Muse	8 02
Joseph Fredott	2 05
Emma Marshall	12 00
Reuben Deveau	10 47
F. H. Stevens	5 91
Mrs. Berry	1 98
Mrs. E. J. Landergan	17 80
Mrs. Barrett	3 00
Nora Scanlon	30 00
John C. Ames	20 00
Tramps, 2,852	280 00

Sundry expenses of department . . .	38 47	
	<hr/>	\$1,943 55
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		\$6,654 97
Less wood delivered from farm . . .	\$85 00	
Less potatoes delivered from farm . . .	85 47	
Less stock in store	20 40	
	<hr/>	190 87
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Total outside expenses		\$6,464 10

ALMSHOUSE STORE ACCOUNT.

On hand from 1898	\$13 89
G. P. Haley	12 75
Ira Atkinson	130 22
Cutler Bros.	102 26
W. A. Cutter	143 30
Yerxa's Branch	74 70
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	\$477 12
Delivered to outside poor	456 72
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Stock on hand	\$20 40

DETAILED ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES.

GROCERIES.

F. C. Small & Co.	\$44 95	
F. A. Pickering	152 67	
G. P. Haley	38 28	
Ira Atkinson	106 17	
Cutler Bros.	213 53	
W. A. Cutter	160 86	
Yerxa's Branch	84 80	
	<hr/>	\$801 26

MEAT, FISH AND PROVISIONS.

J. G. Hunt	\$16 64
Thorndike Market	85 63
Union Supply Co.	174 06

C. E. Classen	.	.	.	.	.	3	60	
W. D. Deadman	.	.	.	.	.	1	79	
W. V. Taylor	.	.	.	.	.		70	
						—	—	282 42

GRAIN AND FEED.

M. J. Curley 570 45

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING AND SHOES.

E. G. Daland	.	.	.	.	.	\$14 15	
J. W. Poland & Co.	.	.	.	.	.	55 86	
Hugh Connell	.	.	.	.	.	25 50	
Bowser & Co.	.	.	.	.	.	9 39	
J. T. Paine	.	.	.	.	.	23 32	
A. P. Linnell	.	.	.	.	.	7 00	
							135 22

SALARIES, FARM LABOR, ETC.

Ralph Edmands	.	.	.	.	.	\$239	25
Wm. Gray	.	.	.	.	.	3	50
G. E. Donald	.	.	.	.	.	650	00
Hermon Buboltz	.	.	.	.	.	12	00
Walter Severance	.	.	.	.	.	10	50
Jas. Mahoney	.	.	.	.	.	32	25
H. O. Mitchell	.	.	.	.	.	10	00
Henry Cole	.	.	.	.	.	22	00
Merrett Stevens	.	.	.	.	.	8	00
							987 50

HOUSEHOLD LABOR.

Jennie Bartlett	.	.	.	.	.	\$47	57
Minnie Hertwig	.	.	.	.	.	17	57
Delia McGettigan	.	.	.	.	.	39	43
Delia Edmands	.	.	.	.	.	26	15
Mrs. Henry Cole	.	.	.	.	.	12	36
Maggie Murphy	.	.	.	.	.	12	86
Kate Lannon	.	.	.	.	.	13	29
							169 23

TOOLS, SEEDS, ETC.

Ira Atkinson	\$6 25	
A. & D. Bramer	4 30	
Cutler Bros.	7 60	
	<hr/>	18 15

BLACKSMITHING, REPAIRS, ETC.

G. M. Kelley	85	
J. T. Gosnay	43 25	
G. H. Hathaway	17 05	
Sederquest, Wanamake & Co.	65 15	
R. C. North	49 63	
	<hr/>	175 93

FERTILIZERS AND MANURE.

G. H. Taylor	8 32	
T. J. McManuis	3 00	
D. C. Wright	37 50	
W. D. Deadman	8 75	
J. W. Heath	14 00	
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MEDICAL EXPENSES.

J. W. Heath	135 80	
J. S. Bonney	6 15	
	<hr/>	141 95

STOCK EXPENSES.

D. C. Wright, dressing hogs	10 50	
J. O'Donnell, shoats	16 75	
Rodney Edmands, use of horse	5 00	
G. H. Hathaway, use of horse	8 00	
M. F. Gould, cows and exchange	47 00	
W. R. Hussey, cows and exchange	146 00	
Dr. L. R. Perry, services	4 00	
	<hr/>	237 25

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. H. Spencer, lumber	34 66	
Citizen and Banner	4 00	
Mansfield & Cheney, coal	212 28	

S. F. Littlefield & Co., sundries . . .	10 80	
Mansfield & Cheney, lime . . .	95	
J. M. Perley, lime . . .	1 00	
Ames Plow Co., cultivator . . .	7 25	
B. & M. R. R., tickets . . .	11 50	
S. J. Bingham, washer . . .	10 00	
Wakefield Water Co., water . . .	20 00	
John A. Murray, whitening . . .	3 50	
C. Latimer, express . . .	5 75	
E. Caldwell, beds . . .	4 00	
G. H. Taylor, sundries . . .	6 98	
C. W. Learned & Co., disinfectant . . .	10 00	
Town of Saugus, tax . . .	4 82	
American Express Co. . .	2 70	
J. Breck & Sons, sundries . . .	51	
T. E. Staples, bed, etc. . .	10 00	
F. W. Pierce, express . . .	50	
Oliver Walton, burial G. W. Wilder . . .	22 00	
Morrill & Atwood, ice . . .	25 87	
T. J. McManuis, paper, etc. . .	7 31	
J. Laybolt, sundries . . .	5 97	
	<hr/>	422 35
Total expense at almshouse		\$4,013 28
Total receipts for 1898 . . .		\$10,557 65
Total expense outside poor . . .	\$6,464 10	
Total expenses almshouse . . .	4,013 28	
	<hr/>	10,477 38
Balance unexpended . . .		\$80 27

ALMSHOUSE INVENTORY.

Twenty-eight tons English hay . . .	\$392 00	
Grain and feed . . .	27 00	
Five tons salt hay . . .	40 00	
Two tons rye straw . . .	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$489 00

Thirty cords manure	\$150 00	
Fifty-two cords wood	208 00	
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One mare	\$125 00	
Thirteen cows	650 00	
Fowls	50 00	
One bull	25 00	
Two swine	27 00	
	<hr/>	\$874 00
Vehicles and harnesses	\$200 00	
Farm tools, etc.	275 00	
Household goods	600 00	
Nine tons coal	50 00	
Groceries and provisions	136 37	
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ALMSHOUSE INMATES FEB. 1, 1899.

Annie Fitzgerald	68 years.
Annette Mayo	46 "
Walter Mayo	37 "
Roy Thomas Mayo	7 "
Richard Stack (board refunded)	81 "
Mrs. J. H. Clements	78 "
Mrs. Lydia Putnam	85 "
Edward Putnam	88 "
Thos. Sullivan	59 "
Mrs. Thos. Sullivan	49 "
John Curran	69 "
Henry Curran	28 "
Mrs. M. J. Skully	68 "
William Conway	74 "
John Malcolm, Sept. 19	56 "
James Doyle, June 19	75 "
Mrs. John Malcolm, Oct. 20 to Nov. 20	34 "
Mrs. Margaret Mertins, Feb. 14	50 "
Mrs. Mary Holmes, Jan. 5	24 "
Mabel F. Holmes, Jan. 20, born.	

REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

The highway surveyor herewith presents his annual report covering the year ending February 1, 1899.

Laborers were paid \$2 per day, with the exception of the engineer at the crusher, who received \$2.50. Two dollars per day was allowed for horse and cart and \$4 for two-horse carts. Details as follows :

Respectfully submitted,

SOLON WALTON.

GENERAL HIGHWAY.

March 7, 1898, appropriation	.	.	.	.	\$9,000 00
Nov. 8, 1898, " "	.	.	.	.	1,000 00
Received from selectmen	.	.	.	.	1,000 00
Sale of stone, individuals	.	.	.	.	87 65
" " special appropriations	2,759 05
Sundry sales	1 50
Use of steam roller	40 00
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					\$13,888 20

Expended :

Labor as per pay rolls	\$10,290 88
Sundry bills	3,272 06
Overdrafts from specials	280 29
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						\$13,843 23
Balance	\$44 97

SNOW WORK.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$2,803 92
G. W. Killorin, labor and teams	163 50
Chas. Doyle	"	"	.	.	.	91 25
D. W. Hunt	"	"	.	.	.	46 75

Cutler Bros., labor and teams	18 00
Wakefield Coal Co " "	6 40
Michael Holden " "	3 75
Arthur Greenough " "	20 00
Jesse C. Edmands " "	3 00
Edw. T. Cooper, repairing fence	3 61
Sederquest & Wanamake, repairing plows	1 00
McIntosh Bros., repairing plows	2 95

\$3,164 13

WASHOUTS AND PATCHING STREETS.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$483 55
G. W. Killorin, labor and teams	2 00
Edw. N. Sweetser, 191 lds. gravel	19 10
140 tons crushed stone	100 31

\$604 96

STREET SIGNS.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$18 00
Chas. S. Knowles, making signs	49 75

\$67 75

CUTTING BUSHES.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$37 54
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STONE CRUSHER.—PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT.

Labor as per pay roll	\$16 00
Geo. H. Taylor, new stack	101 98
C. H. Spencer, lumber	7 75

\$125 73

CLEANING AND SCRAPING STREETS, GUTTERS AND SAND CATCHERS.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$1,851 72
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SALEM STREET, SETTING BOUND STONES.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$30 00
F. E. Newhall, 75 bound stones	37 50

\$67 00

MELVIN STREET, LEDGE AND GRADING.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$96 00
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PROSPECT STREET, STREET AND SIDEWALK.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$237 44
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MAIN STREET, NEAR MELROSE LINE.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$628 45
Mass. Broken Stone Co., steam roller	165 82
S. W. Flint, 43 loads gravel	4 30
Town of Melrose, water	5 63
1,070 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons crushed stone	766 83
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	\$1,571 03

MAIN STREET, HEAD OF LAKE.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$110 00
Mrs. Herman Leuchtman, gravel	40 00
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	\$150 00

MAIN STREET, IRON FENCE.

G. H. Taylor, pipe and labor	\$1 90
N. A. Heath, painting fence	18 00
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	\$19 90

MAIN STREET, JUNCTION, MACADAMIZING.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$226 72
547 tons crushed stone	391 93
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	\$618 65

PITMAN AVENUE, LEDGE AND GRADING.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$261 00
Geo. H. Sampson, forceite	6 75
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	\$267 75

VERNON STREET, SIDEWALK.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$48 00
Mrs. Herman Leuchtman, gravel	25 00
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	\$73 00

LOWELL STREET, GRADING.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$22 00
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SWEETSER STREET, GRADING AND DRAIN.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$49 00
John G. Aborn, 116 loads gravel	11 60
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	\$60 60

CORDIS STREET, GRADING.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$357 62
Mrs. Herman Leuchtman, gravel	40 00
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	\$397 62

LAWRENCE STREET, SIDEWALK AND GUTTERS.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$346 50
Catherine Johnston, gravel	9 50
Mrs. H. Leuchtman, gravel	1 30
Samuel T. Parker, gravel	1 90
Jonathan McMasters, gravel	1 60
James G. Hunt, stone	9 70
F. E. Newhall, edgestones	25 12
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	\$395 62

GREENWOOD AVENUE, LAYING PIPE.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$3 00
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GREENWOOD BRIDGE, SIDEWALK.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$27 88
C. H. Spencer, lumber	1 79
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	\$29 67

STEAM ROLLER.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$5 00
Chas. A. Claffin, oil and waste	18 55
G. H. Hathaway, straps	40
G. H. Taylor, sundries	60
J. M. Perley, coal and wood	25 27
H. C. Carbee, coal and wood	5 75
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	\$55 57

BROOK AVENUE.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$31 00
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STONE CRUSHER.

Labor as per pay rolls	\$2,600 54
A. J. Wellington, supplies	89 17
G. P. Anderson, oil	6 00
C. H. Claflin, supplies	38 61
Scierquest & Wanamake, repairing tools	338 76
Geo. H. Taylor, sundries	17 06
C. H. Spencer, lumber	6 39
Geo. H. Sampson, dynamite, etc.	84 38
Geo. M. Kelly, repairing tools	11 89
Ames Plow Co., tools	17 19
Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill Co., sundries	5 40
J. M. Perley, coal and wood	191 89
Wakefield Water Co., service	25 00
Mansfield & Cheney, coal and wood	30 35
Arthur Greenough, stone	33 60
W. M. Ward, stone	71 29
Seymour Campbell, stone	27 20
J. D. Fowler, stone	15 30
J. G. Hunt, stone	180 54
Geo. E. Mears, stone	34 70
Fred Skinner, stone	229 60
D. C. Wright, stone	8 10
Wm. Bowman, stone	22 07
J. P. Alden, stone and teaming	54 63
R. Bolton, teaming	2 51

\$4,142 17

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

H. H. Sweetser, setting glass	\$1 80
J. A. Bancroft, surveying	23 50
Geo. H. Sampson, dynamite and fuse	7 05
Chapman & Sodon, pitch	3 00
C. Latimer, expressing	1 55
A. D. Oxley, turning posts	4 55
W. A. Cutter, sundries	1 05

S. F. Littlefield, sundries	37 22
L. D. Darling, fencing	79 46
Sederquest & Wanamake, repairing tools	69 92
Thomas Hickey, postage	3 25
David Lefave, hammer handles	2 40
F. E. Newhall, edgestones and covering stones	95 33
F. W. Pierce, expressing	4 75
E. I. Purrington, repairs on engine	1 60
A. A. Butler, making sandcatchers and sundries	157 51
Mansfield & Cheney, sundries	8 72
George H. Taylor, sundries	40 87
Mrs. L. B. Eaton, gravel	2 20
Cutler Bros., sundries	3 40
G. W. Killorin, edgestones	12 80
Lucas Bros., sundries	2 35
M. P. Foster, printing and stationery	4 00
Smith & Anthony, sandcatcher grates	59 55
George H. Teague, trimming tree	50
W. Kendall, lettering signs	1 50
J. W. Poland, sundries	50
G. H. Hathaway, sprinkling streets	31 50
J. Laybolt, sundries	25 13
Rufus C. North, sharpening tools	5 20
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	\$692 16

CHESTNUT STREET, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$3,000 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$1,279 60
F. W. Pierce, expressing	40
American Express Co.	95
J. M. Perley, coal for roller	45 15
Chas. A. Clafin, sundries	11 75
Geo. M. Kelley, repairing tools	11 89
Sederquest & Wanamake, repairing tools	3 22
G. W. Killorin, 33 loads gravel	3 30
C. F. Nickerson, raising roller	5 50

2,329½ tons crushed stone	1,669 08
Total	\$3,030 84
Overdrawn, taken from General Highway	30 84
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	\$3,000 00

BENNETT STREET, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$2,000 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$293 95
Sederquest & Wanamake, repairing tools	3 00
J. M. Perley, coal for crusher	27 69
Geo. M. Sampson, dynamite	13 50
Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill Co., bolts	1 60
Mansfield & Cheney, coal	26 00
33¾ tons crushed stone	24 18
Total	\$389 92
Balance unexpended	\$1,610 08
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	\$2,000 00

NEW SALEM STREET, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$200 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$42 00
Balance unexpended	158 00
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	\$200 00

MAIN STREET, LAKESIDE, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$300 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	310 79
Overdrawn	10 79
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	\$300 00

BYRON STREET SIDEWALK, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$50 00
Expended as follows :	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$55 56
Overdrawn	5 56
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	\$50 00

STONE CROSSINGS, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$300 00
Expended as follows :	
F. E. Newhall, 490 ft. 8 in. flagstones, at 60c. ft . .	\$294 40
Balance unexpended	5 60
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	\$300 00

PARK AVENUE, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$950 00
Expended as follows :	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$931 25
Sederquest & Wanamake, repairing tools	18 65
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Total	\$949 90
Balance unexpended	10
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	\$950 00

BROADWAY, SPECIAL.

Feb 1, 1898. Balance available from last year . .	\$102 88
Expended as follows :	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$55 34
Mass. Broken Stone Co., steam roller	18 33
A. A. Butler, labor on culvert	29 21
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Total	\$102 88

GOULD STREET, SPECIAL.

Feb. 1, 1898. Balance available from last year . .	\$37 50
Expended as follows :	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$23 00
Balance unexpended	14 50
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	\$37 50

MORRISON ROAD, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$1,500 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$748 42
Geo. W. Killorin, resetting curbstone	16 60
J. M. Perley, coal for roller	31 79
C. F. Nickerson, raising roller	6 00
1,074½ tons crushed stone	769 88
Total	\$1,572 69
Overdrawn, taken from General Highway	72 69
	<hr/> \$1,500 00

MAIN STREET, LAKESIDE, SIDEWALK, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$150 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$110 36
64½ tons crushed stone	46 21
Total	\$156 57
Overdrawn, taken from Gen. Highway	6 57
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MURRAY STREET, SPECIAL.

Appropriation authorized	\$200 00
Expended as follows:	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$158 57
F. E. Newhall, curbstones	14 52
G. W. Killorin, 158 loads gravel	15 80
228½ tons crushed stone	163 72
Total	\$352 61
Overdrawn, taken from Gen. Highway	152 61
	<hr/> \$200 00

STONE CRUSHER REPORT.

Crushed stone on hand Feb. 1, 1898	50 tons
Crushed from Feb. 1, 1898, to date	5,781 "
	<hr/> 5,831 tons

USED AS FOLLOWS.

Morrison road	.	.	.	.	.	1,074.50 tons.
Murray street	.	.	.	.	.	228.50 "
West Chestnut street	.	.	.	.	.	2,329.50 "
Main street, Lakeside, sidewalk	.	.	.	.	.	64.50 "
Main " Melrose line, street	.	.	.	.	.	1,000.25 "
Main " " " sidewalk	.	.	.	.	.	70.00 "
Main " near Nahant street	.	.	.	.	.	547.00 "
Concrete work	.	.	.	.	.	120.00 "
Bennett street	.	.	.	.	.	33.75 "
Patching	.	.	.	.	.	160.00 "
Sidewalks	.	.	.	.	.	25.00 "
Sales	.	.	.	.	.	65.00 "
On hand	.	.	.	.	.	113.00 "

5,831 00 tons

Average cost per ton, 1898 71 65-100 cents

List of town property on hand is as follows: 1 stone crushing plant, including steam drilling machine, drills, barrows, hose, tools, etc.; 1 road scraper, 1 road roller, 13 snow plows, 1 portable forge and anvil, 15 hand drills, 11 picks, 4 grub hoes, 6 hoes, 5 rakes, 2 long spoon shovels, 6 crowbars, 4 striking hammers, 7 sledge hammers, 3 axes, 2 buckets, 5 lanterns, 2 baskets, 2 oil cans, battery and wire, 1 street plow, 1 pattern for sand catcher grates, 1 concrete outfit.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen herein submit their annual report to the citizens of the town for their consideration, for the fiscal year commencing February 1, 1898 and ending January 31, 1899.

As the town increases in population and continues to make public improvements the official duties of the members connected with the different departments of the municipal government have and will increase in corresponding proportion. Personal experience as a member of this board, or a careful examination of its weekly records, are the only criterion by which a correct judgment can be formed of the yearly increasing amount of business conducted by this department. In addition to this increase of the usual routine duties, there has been steadily growing a miscellaneous business, incidental to the progress and changing circumstances of the town, which is incidentally referred to the selectmen as they are supposed to have knowledge and jurisdiction of all matters which are not especially connected with any department of the town government. This accumulation and amount of business required the selectmen to hire a clerk, with an increase of salary, and Mr. Charles E. Walton was chosen, who has performed his duties with neatness, accuracy and complete satisfaction.

LAKE QUANNAPOWITT.

Many verbal and written complaints have been made to the selectmen during the past year, by several citizens, that certain inhabitants of the town had been and were depositing ashes and other waste matter of a rubbish nature along the shore and into lake Quannapowitt, thereby diminishing the area of the lake in proportion to the amount of materials deposited, and corrupting the purity of its waters. The selectmen petitioned to the Harbor

and Land Commissioners, who are the legal custodians of all the inland lakes and ponds within the commonwealth containing ten acres in area or more, requesting that said deposits should be forthwith removed and the shore line of the lake established, and all similar deposits in the future prohibited. The commissioners, by their consulting engineer, accompanied by the chairman of the selectmen, examined the entire shore of the lake and the engineer made observations and notes as the condition along the line of the shore required. Subsequently the commissioners, acting upon the report of their engineer, informed the selectmen that they had notified the parties, who had been reported as wrongfully depositing materials into the lake, to appear before them on a given date and explain why legal proceedings should not be commenced against them for their illegal trespassing. We were informed that certain parties did appear at the time and place mentioned and were examined concerning the charges made against them, but we have not received any official information of the final action of the commissioners. As the ball has been set in motion would it not be wise to accelerate its movement?

LINDEN AVENUE BRIDGE.

This bridge extended over the Boston and Maine Railroad at Linden avenue and by constant use for many years, and the customary influences of the weather, had become unsafe and dangerous for public travel. The town, acting upon the report of the finance committee, appropriated seven hundred and twenty-five dollars to build a steel bridge in place of the old one, under the direction of the selectmen. The lowest bid was made by the Berlin Bridge Company to build the bridge, and a contract was made with the company to construct the bridge for seven hundred and seven dollars. The costs of preparing the abutments, which was not included in the contract, and a few incidental expenses, increased the total amount of construction charges seven dollars and seventy-five cents more than the sum appropriated for that purpose. The strength of the bridge was tested by drawing a steam road roller over it weighing twelve tons, and there was not any indications of weakness discovered in any part of it. The materials furnished and labor performed is perfectly satisfactory.

OLD SALEM STREET BRIDGE.

The bridge which extends over Saugus river, the boundary line between Wakefield in Middlesex county, and Lynnfield in Essex county and its abutments, are rendered by use, old age, and the action of water, unsafe and dangerous for public travel; therefore, the selectmen petitioned the county commissioners to discontinue that half of the bridge in Middlesex county, as New Salem street afforded ample and sufficient accommodations for the traveling public. A similar petition, signed by the citizens of Lynnfield, was received by the commissioners of Essex county asking them to discontinue that half of the bridge in that county. A joint meeting of the commissioners and interested parties living in both towns was held at the proscribed locality and the reasons and arguments for and against the closing of the bridge were heard, and the commissioners reserved their decision. We have since learned that the Essex commissioners decline to take any action in the matter, stating as a reason, that certain citizens of Lynnfield would claim damages if the bridge was discontinued. The Middlesex commissioners, we understand, favored the closing of the half of the bridge in this county, but declined to pass an order for that purpose, under the present circumstances.

We are of the opinion, that the town should instruct the selectmen to petition the Middlesex County commissioners to pass such orders concerning the maintenance and repair of the bridge as in their opinion the public good may require, as being the most expeditious and satisfactory method of removing the existing difficulty. The town has paid the past year for lighting the bridge at night to caution travelers against its dangerous condition \$58.55. One-half of the amount should be refunded by the town of Lynnfield. An article will be placed in the warrant calling the next annual town meeting, requesting the town to take action on the subject of the bridge.

PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

Upon petition and hearing, we have considered that the public necessity and convenience required that White avenue should be accepted as a public highway, extending easterly from Main street to Pleasant street, and recommend an appropriation of

twenty-five dollars to pay the expenses of constructing a drain at the junction of Pleasant street. This is a private way situated in the north district, laid out and built by the abutters, and no other expense will be required. We also for the same reasons extended Murray street to Albion street, and recommended an appropriation of three hundred dollars to pay land damages, and one hundred dollars to pay building expenses. The accumulation of mud and water in a wet season and after a heavy rain at the intersection of Gould and Albion streets, through which people coming from Murray street are compelled to pass through, was the principal argument urged for this improvement.

A favorable report, extending Valley street to Nahant street, was signed by the full board, but some hesitated, being uncertain that the public convenience and necessity required the contemplated improvement. Several petitions requesting the extension of Valley street have been received and considered by different boards of selectmen during the last few years which have either been dismissed or no action taken with them, but as the present petition was extensively signed by the citizens of the town living in different localities therein and many of them our most influential and business men, and as the subject had been frequently considered in previous years by the proper authorities, it was judged reasonable and just that the petitioners should have the question considered and settled by the expressed action of the town.

SALEM STREET.

Acting upon the petition of the selectmen of last year, the county commissioners, after a location hearing and view, decreed that the street from Vernon street to Lynnfield line should be fifty feet in width, and a width of twenty-eight feet in the centre of location for travel, and the time for completion December 1, 1899. Land damages have been assessed at five hundred and sixty-five dollars, to be paid from the town treasury. The county will pay six hundred dollars construction expenses. Stakes have been placed, marking new lines, and bounds have been set and the street is in a proper condition to commence work in the approaching spring. The town will be required to appropriate a

sufficient sum of money at the annual meeting to pay the expenses of making the required improvements.

CEDAR STREET DRAIN.

The town has had knowledge for some time of the imperative necessity of reconstructing this drain; but as all plans and methods which had previously been prepared and considered by the town for that purpose had been rejected for different reasons, no successful action was ever taken to reconstruct and relocate the drain until March 29, 1898, when a special committee was appointed to investigate the subject in all its bearings and relation to the public and the expense connected with it, with authority to employ an engineer, and report at a future meeting. The committee, October 31, 1898, made a careful and well prepared report, recommending the rebuilding of the drain according to plans and specifications furnished by Mr. Bancroft, their engineer. The town accepted and adopted the report and appropriated twenty-five hundred dollars to pay costs of relocating and rebuilding the drain.

The work was under the direction of the selectmen who engaged Mr. Bancroft for superintendent, and employed the citizens of the town to perform all of the labor, and purchased the pipes of Mr. George H. Taylor, his contracting price being the lowest received.

An itemized account for the costs of the labor and material furnished can be seen in the auditors' report, and we regret to report that the amount exceeded the appropriation. The inclement weather and the large quantity of water which flowed along the line of the drain in consequence of the excessive rains, seriously obstructed the progress of the work and was one of the principal causes of increasing the total beyond the estimated amount appropriated for expenses. This drain was not built by any patchwork system, for it was an engineering job, and was constructed under the direction and management of a skillful and competent engineer, and that necessarily means expense and good work. The drain is sufficient to meet all of the required public necessities for which it was built.

PRICE OF WATER.

While the selectmen were considering the propriety of petitioning the Supreme Judicial Court to have the price of water furnished by the Wakefield Water Company to the town and its inhabitants fixed by the court at a reasonable sum, measured by the price ordinarily charged for similar service in other cities and towns in the metropolitan district, as provided by chapter 488 of the Acts and Resolves of 1895, and amended by chapter 336, of 1897, they received a communication signed by Samuel K. Hamilton, Esq., president of said company, stating that the water rates on and after June 1st, 1899, would be as follows: Ordinary hose for garden purposes, \$3.00 instead of \$5.00 per year; dwelling houses, occupied by one family only, exclusive of hose and stable, not exceeding \$25.00 per annum. No rebate on family rates. There will be no charge for water for boilers for heating dwelling houses by steam only, nor for water treating lime and cement to be used in the erection of new buildings.

The petition could be made at any time before December 31st, 1898, and then every fifth year thereafter; therefore a majority of the board considered it expedient, as a precautionary measure, to provide against any and all unseen and unknown changes which might occur in the condition of the company before June 1st, 1899. Either a change in its officers, right of ownership, or financial condition, which, if either happened, might possibly render it impracticable, perhaps impossible, for the company to make the promised reduction in the water rates; therefore, if this emergency should unfortunately occur, the selectmen would not have to stay proceedings five years before taking action, but could proceed immediately, if considered necessary, to act upon the petition previously mentioned and filed in court.

TRAMPS.

The town by vote in 1878, instructed and authorized the selectmen and overseers of the poor to provide lodgings and refreshments for traveling paupers and tramps where the poor of the town would not incur the liability of being contaminated with infectious disease and objectionable companions, and appropriated three hundred dollars for that purpose. At this time they were

provided with accommodations at the town farm. The basement of the town house was selected and prepared by the local authorities as a suitable place to lodge and feed this class of itinerant beggars, and so remains to the present date. Then, they were few in number, compared with the horde that now receive nightly assistance from the town.

Frequently, offensive odors arise from the tramp room on account of their uncleanness in person and habits, which permeates through the corridors and vestibule of the building and often requires strong disinfectants to cleanse and purify the air. According to hygienic laws the effluvia which arises from a noxious source of this description is extremely detrimental to health and life. Therefore, for sanitary reasons, the local board of health notified the selectmen who have the care of the building to remove the tramps' headquarters from its present locality to other grounds, and the overseers of the poor, who are required to find them a place to lodge and feed, have been requested to find their guests new quarters at the earliest convenient date. The town will probably take action on the subject at the next March meeting.

SIXTH REGIMENT.

When Col. Charles F. Woodward received his commission as colonel of the Sixth Mass. regiment, the headquarters of the regiment was removed from Marlboro to Wakefield—being the residence of the commanding officer—and established in Traders' block. The town furnished the room with suitable furniture as required by the laws of 1893, chapter 367, sec. 90, at an expense of \$134.80, and after Colonel Woodward resigned his commission the furniture was returned to the possession of the town. This transaction will not be a very serious financial loss to the town, for it can be utilized in the different departments of the town government where it is much needed at the present time.

RAISING MONEY.

When the severe snow storm last November struck the town there was not any money in the town treasury for the highway department to pay the men for clearing the streets from snow and placing them in a safe and suitable condition for public

travel. It is said that necessity is the mother of invention, and she was at home on this occasion. Four members of the board of selectmen signed a joint note and one member of the same board loaned the money, which was paid to the men by the highway surveyor, and they were made happy; and the town will be requested to raise and appropriate the amount of the principal and interest of said note at the next annual town meeting.

CLAIMS AND SUITS-AT-LAW.

The cases of Hattie M. Chamberlin and Mary E. Rice, who claim damages for injuries received by a defective highway, remain as reported last year. Proposals for settlement have been made by the plaintiffs, but were not accepted by the selectmen. The cases were scheduled for trial at the present term of court, but after the town had made a partial preparation for that purpose, the plaintiffs obtained a continuance of the cases by reason of alleged sickness. The cases have been pending since 1894.

The case of John Drugan, for personal injuries received by a defective highway, and of Mary L. Maxwell for damage to land by the overflow of surface water, remain unchanged, although the town's counsel has endeavored to bring them to trial.

Henry C. Hall has commenced an action against the town for injuries received by striking against some trees while riding in an electric car at or near the head of the lake. The case is pending in the Superior Court.

Mrs. James Weary complains by suit, that she has been injured in her property by having the purity of the water in her well contaminated by the gas escaping from a defective pipe belonging to the town, which runs under the surface of the street at or near her dwelling house, and claims damages. It was suggested that a settlement could be made of the difficulty by providing the house with water from the company's works, at an expense of nearly one hundred and seventy-five dollars. The attention of the town will be directed to the settlement of this matter at the approaching town meeting.

DISCONTINUANCE OF PEARL STREET IN GREENWOOD.

Acting upon the report of a committee, the town, by vote, authorized and instructed the selectmen to petition the Superior

Court to discontinue the crossing by the Boston and Maine railroad at grade over a private way called Pearl street in Greenwood, either by building a bridge over said crossing or a new way in substitution of said private way, with an overhead bridge, and to employ assistant legal counsel. The petition has been prepared, filed in the clerk's office of the court, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts made a party in interest by statute to the proceedings, and the Boston and Maine railroad company have been notified in the usual manner of the pendency of the petition and both parties have appeared in court by counsel. Chester W. Eaton, Esq., was chosen assistant counsel, whose knowledge of the early history of the town and his familiar acquaintance with the ancient records at Cambridge renders his services important and valuable for the success of the petitioner's cause. Much will depend upon historical and documentary evidence. The previous engagements of the counsel for the State and company have delayed the appointment of the commissioners by the court, but early action in this matter will soon be taken. It is said that large bodies move slowly. This being true, when three ponderous corporations like these clash together in a legal contest it will be quite difficult to predict when the contest will close. It is the purpose of the town's counsel to urge the proceedings to a final termination as *fast* as the *slow* process of the law will permit.

POLICE.

A majority of the board at the commencement of the year considered it necessary that a change should be made in the chief of police, and Edgar A. Hallett was chosen, who has been vigilant and faithful in the execution of his duties. One officer has been removed from the force during the year for malfeasance in office. The circumstances connected with this unfortunate affair are well known, therefore it is unnecessary to report them.

STEAM ROLLER.

The selectmen, with the approval of the county commissioners, procured the steam roller from Winchester, owned by the county, and it was used by the town last year without expense. Its

headquarters will probably remain in Wakefield until removed to some other locality by the authorities.

INSURANCE.

The following mentioned policies of insurance expire during the year :

Fixtures in town hall, \$5,000 ; premium necessary to raise and appropriate, \$150 ; also \$200 to pay premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds.

CONCLUSION.

We conclude our report, complimenting our fellow-citizens upon the peaceful relations that have publicly existed among them, and the good order that has prevailed in town during the year, which has materially assisted the officers in the discharge of their official duties ; but we regret to announce that Mr. William H. Lee declined a re-election on the board of selectmen, on the assigned cause of business engagements, for by his sound judgment and impartial conclusions, he has rendered valuable services in his present official capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. UPTON, *Chairman*,
 WILLIAM H. LEE,
 R. S. STOUT,
 HOYT B. PARKER,
 JAMES F. MANSFIELD, *Secretary*,
Selectmen of Wakefield.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1898-'99.

School general	\$29,950 00
School contingent expenses	2,250 00
School supplies	2,500 00
Poor department (with income) (\$2,500 voted Nov. 14)	8,500 00
Municipal light plant (with income)	1,500 00
Extension gas mains	3,000 00
Extension electric lines	500 00
Stone street crossings	300 00
Town House expenses (with income)	1,800 00
Fire department (\$850 voted Nov. 14)	4,150 00
Highways and bridges (\$1,000 voted Nov. 14)	10,000 00
Concrete work (abutters to pay half)	1,050 00
Edgestones (abutters to pay half)	250 00
Miscellaneous expenses (\$1,000 voted Nov. 14)	5,000 00
Salaries town officials	5,355 00
Richardson Light Guard expenses	600 00
Insurance premiums	600 00
Printing, advertising and stationery	1,000 00
Police department (\$300 voted Nov. 14)	1,500 00
Night watchmen	1,800 00
Military aid	900 00
Soldiers' relief	2,900 00
Morrison road	1,500 00
Interest on town debt	13,500 00
Town library	400 00
Reading room	175 00
Common and park (\$150 voted Nov. 14)	600 00
Forest firewards	600 00

Memorial Day	250 00
Fish committee	25 00
Park avenue	950 00
New fire alarm box	100 00
Main street, Lakeside, sidewalk	150 00
Main street, Lakeside	300 00
Fire department horses	450 00
Remodelling engine house	1,200 00
Wind mill, town farm (\$170 voted Nov. 21)	570 00
Murray street repairs	200 00
Jordan avenue wall	100 00
Byron street sidewalk (voted April 4)	50 00
Rental of hydrants	4,340 00
New town cemetery (voted April 13)	5,500 00
Greenwood railroad bridge (voted April 13)	725 00
Painting and repairs, high school building (voted April 13)	1,200 00
West Chestnut street (voted June 27)	3,000 00
Cedar street drain (voted Oct. 3)	2,500 00
New north ward school house (voted July 11) (bonds) (\$2,500 voted Nov. 21)	14,500 00
Bennett street (voted Nov. 14)	2,000 00
New Salem street (voted Nov. 14)	200 00
Crystal street (voted Nov. 14)	200 00
Total	<hr/> \$140,690 00

BALANCES AVAILABLE FROM LAST YEAR.

New Greenwood school house	\$1,274 40
Maps, plans and surveys	664 40
Cooper street (voted into treasury June 27)	1,479 50
Gould street	37 50
Broadway repairs	102 88
Fire escape, Greenwood school house	38 00
Municipal light plant	2,102 13
Total	<hr/> \$5,698 81

RECAPITULATION.

Appropriations for 1898-99	\$140,690 00
Balances available from last year	5,698 81
Total	<u>\$146,388 81</u>

DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS.

Voted at annual town meeting	\$112,320 00
Voted since annual town meeting	28,370 00
Balances from last year	5,698 81
Total	<u>\$146,388 81</u>

LAND, NEW TOWN CEMETERY.

April 13, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$5,500 00
Paid Everett W. Eaton, for committee on land of Messrs. Mansfield and Parker, as voted.	5,500 00
An unexpended balance was returned to treasury.	

GREENWOOD BRIDGE.

April 13, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$725 00
Expended as follows:	
M. P. Foster, printing and postals	1 75
Aaron A. Butler, stone, cement and labor	11 63
Boston and Maine R. R., labor of section men	12 37
Berlin Iron Bridge Co., bridge as per contract	707 00
Total	<u>\$732 75</u>
Balance overdrawn	7 75
	<u>\$725 00</u>

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, PAINTING AND REPAIRS.

April 13, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$1,200 00
Expended as follows:	
Geo. W. McAdams, painting contract	280 00
“ “ extras	101 00
Daily Item, advertising for bids	3 25
S. F. Littlefield & Co., hardware, pipe, etc.	92 08
Geo. W. Killorin, concreting	50 00
“ “ contract on stone steps	260 00

T. H. Buck, 1255 ft. hard pine lumber	50 20
S. F. Littlefield & Co., solder and labor	2 50
C. H. Spencer, lumber	36 86
M. P. Foster, advertising	4 00
C. W. Eaton, painter's bond	2 00
W. N. Gray, repairs on roof	58 28
Geo. H. Teague, glazing	7 50
J. McLain, carpenter work	152 48
J. D. Jewett & Co., push plates	18 50
Dennis Greaney, mason work	3 00
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Total	\$1,121 65
Balance unexpended	78 35
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	\$1,200 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$250 00
Paid quarter-master Post 12, G. A. R., as voted	\$250 00

FISH COMMITTEE EXPENSES.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$25 00
Expended as follows :	
Harry Frazer, labor	\$2 00
Samuel Parker, labor on lakes and river	23 00
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	\$25 00

NEW FIRE ALARM BOX.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$100 00
Expended as follows :	
Geo. M. Stevens, box and apparatus	\$72 54
Wm. F. Wood, labor	3 00
Wm. E. Cade, labor	20 50
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Total	\$96 04
Balance unexpended	3 96
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	\$100 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT HORSES.

March 29, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$450 00
Paid Tobias Libby & Co., 3 horses	\$450 00

RENTAL OF HYDRANTS.

March 29, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$4,340 00
Paid Wakefield Water Co., service for 124 hydrants at \$35 per hydrant, one year to Dec. 1, 1898 . .	\$4,340 00

FOREST FIREWARDS' EXPENSES.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$600 00
Expended as follows:	
Rufus Kendrick, balance of unpaid services of sundry persons, 1897-8	\$65 21
Rufus Kendrick, unpaid bills for repairs on apparatus 1897-8	112 73
Rufus Kendrick, services of sundry persons 1898-9	270 65
“ “ on account repairs and new apparatus 1898-9	151 41
Total	\$600 00
This leaves unpaid bills for repairs of \$35.19.	

MILITARY AID.

March 21, 1898, appropriations authorized . . .	\$900 00
Expended as follows:	
Wm. Beattie	\$120 00
Chas. L. Harmus	144 00
Frank W. Hayden	120 00
Chas H. Shepard	216 00
Alex. A. Stubbs	72 00
Jeremiah Whitehead	96 00
Walter Holden	30 00
Augustus G. Baxter	50 00
Total	\$848 00
Balance unexpended	52 00
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	\$900 00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . \$2,900 00

Expended as follows :

John B. Adams	\$72 00
Sarah E. Burchstead	177 00
George Burdett	72 00
Edwin Carter	96 00
Mary Connell	72 00
Lizzie S. Cutter	120 00
Annette Davis	72 00
Angelina Davis	72 00
Eliza A. Eaton	96 00
Mary A. Hall	120 00
Margaret Hamilton	72 00
Theodosia C. Hicks	144 00
Chas. L. Harmus	72 00
Sarah C. Keough	120 00
Matilda L. Kidder	120 00
Laura E. Richardson	120 00
Florence A. B. Ryder	96 00
Sarah E. Sanborn	180 00
Fred W. Scovell	108 00
Elizabeth Shannahan	72 00
Fannie L. Stoddard	144 00
Alex. A. Stubbs	96 00
Wm. Sweeney	72 00
John H. Tyler	120 00
Hannah M. Wheeler	72 00
Mary F. Whitten	72 00
Elvira S. Willan	72 00
Vasti Woodis	96 00
Jeremiah Whitehead	8 00

Total \$2,849 00

Balance unexpended 51 00

\$2,900 00

NIGHT WATCHMEN SALARIES.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$1,800 00
Paid :	
James A. McFadden, salary, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899 . .	\$900 00
Edwin F. Poland, " " " 1, 1899 . .	900 00
Total	\$1,800 00

RICHARDSON LIGHT GUARD, EXPENSES.

March 24, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$600 00
Expended as follows :	
Municipal Light Plant, gas and electric lighting . .	\$80 94
T. E. Cox, rent of land, rifle range, 1 year . . .	35 00
W. G. Doe, " " " . . .	25 00
Mansfield & Cheney, 2 tons coal at \$5.75 . . .	11 50
Roger Howard, labor at rifle range	14 62
Wakefield Water Co., services, 1 year to June 1, 1899,	51 00
Jas. H. Keough, care of boiler, 6 months . . .	50 00
John Toomey, 8 tons coal at \$4.84	38 72
Sylvester Burdett, care of boiler, 6 months . . .	50 00
C. C. Bridge, glazing	2 12
Geo. E. Smith, carpenter work	1 00
J. Greaney, repairing chimney	7 50
Mansfield & Cheney, 1 cord of wood	7 00
John Toomey, 8 tons egg coal	46 00
Total	\$420 40
Balance unexpended	179 60
	\$600 00

INSURANCE PREMIUMS.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$600 00
Expended as follows :	
C. F. Hartshorne, premium on policy of \$2,000, Woodville school house, 5 years, to Jan. 1, 1903,	\$45 75
C. F. Hartshorne, premium on policy of \$5,000, on high school house, 5 years, to March 1, 1903 . .	114 00
C. F. Hartshorne, premium on policy of \$5,000, on	

high school house and contents, 5 years, to April 7, 1903	114 75
C. F. Hartshorne, premium on policy of \$2,000, on Franklin school house and contents, 5 years, to April 7, 1903	46 50
P. H. Southworth, treasurer's bond, premiums	125 00
“ “ tax collector's bond, premiums	75 00
Albert R. Perkins, premium on policy of \$2,500 on stone crusher, 3 years, to June 11, 1901	109 38
Albert R. Perkins, premium on policy of \$3,000, on New North Ward school house, 5 years, to Nov. 5, 1903	45 00
C. F. Hartshorne, premium on policy of \$3,000, on New North Ward school house, 5 years, to Nov. 23, 1903	45 00
Ashton H. Thayer, premium on policy of \$3,000, on New North Ward school house, 5 years, to Nov. 23, 1903	45 00
C. F. Hartshorne, premium on \$6,000 policy, on Hamilton school house and contents, 5 years, to Dec. 15, 1903	97 50
Total	<hr/> \$862 88
Balance overdrawn	262 88
	<hr/> \$600 00

MAPS, PLANS AND SURVEYS.

Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year	\$664 40
Expended as follows :	
Shedd & Searle, bal. contract	\$560 77
Albert R. Perkins, record books, lamps, etc.	5 30
Roger Howard, case for plans	70 00
O. P. Searle, Jr., 200 index cards	2 50
Total	<hr/> \$638 57
Balance unexpended	25 83
	<hr/> \$664 40

SALARIES TOWN OFFICERS.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$5,355 00
Expended as follows :	
Board of Health, 1897-8	\$100 00
“ Auditors, 1897-8	215 00
“ Registrars, to Feb. 1, '99	215 00
“ Assessors, to Feb. 1, '99	900 00
“ Overseers, to Feb 1, '99	300 00
“ Fire Engineers, to Feb. 1, '99	100 00
“ Forest Firewards, to Feb. 1, '99	75 00
“ Light Commissioners, to Feb. 1, '99	250 00
Town Treasurer, to Feb. 1, '99	400 00
“ Clerk, to Feb. 1, '99	200 00
Highway Surveyor, to Feb. 1, '99	900 00
Inspector of Milk, to Feb. 1, '99	100 00
Board of Selectmen, to Feb. 1, '99	600 00
Tax Collector, bal. 1896, \$50, acc't 1897, \$50, on acc't 1898-9, \$400	500 00
Town Counsel, to Feb. 1, '99	500 00
Total	<u>\$5,355 00</u>

NEW GREENWOOD SCHOOLHOUSE.

Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year . . .	\$1,274 40
Expended as follows :	
John Pilling, receiver of Heath & Locke, bal. contract	\$1,250 00
Balance unexpended	24 40
	<u>\$1,274 40</u>

GOULD STREET REPAIRS.

Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year . . .	\$37 50
Expended as follows :	
Labor as per pay rolls	\$23 00
Balance unexpended	14 50
	<u>\$37 50</u>

SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . \$2,500 00

Expended as follows :

Ginn & Co.,	text books	\$398 34
Alleyn & Bacon,	"	81 26
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	"	16 00
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	"	80 28
American Book Co.,	"	158 88
E. E. Babb & Co.,	" supplies	242 17
Educational Pub. Co.,	"	5 60
D. C. Heath & Co.,	"	94 89
William Ware & Co.,	"	6 05
T. H. Castor & Co.,	"	10 68
Leach, Shewell & Co.,	"	41 87
The Morse Co.,	"	15 00
The McMillan Co.,	"	1 35
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	"	13 60
C. A. Kochlee & Co.,	"	2 40
N. J. Bartlett,	"	59 03
Maynard, Merritt & Co.,	"	90 14
University Pub. Co.,	"	20 60
Harper & Bros.,	"	47
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.,	color paints and brushes	12 88
Greenough, Adams & Cushing,	ink, paper, etc. .	175 72
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	colors, clay, pads, ink-wells,	
	etc.	103 19
Thorpe & Martin Co.,	paper	2 00
J. Gillott & Sons,	25 gross pens	9 75
Geo. F. King & Co.,	paper, pencils, etc. . . .	66 74
J. S. Bonney,	chemicals	1 35
Eagle Pencil Co.,	25 gross pencils	76 25
Suffolk Ink Co.,	15 gals. ink at 50c. . . .	7 50
Sam'l Ward & Co.,	stationery supplies	6 30
Knott Apparatus Co.,	apparatus	102 62
C. O. Babcock,	1 set word matching	65
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	liquid colors	1 25
Ginn & Co.,	text books	100 49

J. S. Bonney, chemicals, etc.	14 39
American Book Co., text books	15 36
D. C. Heath & Co., "	2 50
Cambridge Botanical Supply Co., jars, glass and seed	3 24
J. W. Poland & Co., thread, needles, etc.	5 20
Murphy, Leavens & Co., bell dusters	14 85
Perry Picture Co., album and pictures	2 75
A. L. Bemis, 21 manual training benches and outfits	366 50
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Total	\$2,430 09
Balance unexpended	69 91
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	\$2,500 00

SCHOOL CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$2,250 00
Expended as follows :	
E. E. Babb & Co., call bells	\$3 00
Municipal Light Plant, gas to Feb. 1, 1899	62 04
A. W. Brownell, printing, etc.	15 25
Murphy, Leavens & Co., dusters, brushes, etc.	19 33
John Flanley, rent of committee room	120 00
M. P. Foster, printing, etc.	49 00
Daily Item, advertising	3 00
Wm. Lumb & Co., plumbing repairs	236 11
H. C. Kendall, filling diplomas and commissions of officers	7 05
F. W. Pierce, expressing	20 62
Lucas Bros., repairing clocks and new clock	14 50
L. R. Perry, pipe and packing	3 76
Thos. Hickey, P. M., box rent and stamps	13 90
Keystone Wire Mat Co., wire mat	2 75
A. H. Thayer, sundry expenses, stationery, etc.	29 97
Sulpho. Naphthol Co., 3 gals. naphthol	7 50
S. F. Littlefield & Co., hardware and repairs	91 62
Cutler Bros., supplies	43 51
Henry M. Meek, 2 directories	4 00

J. W. Poland & Co., cotton and repairs on flag	7 89
Chas. W. Sunman, repairs on roofs	8 51
American Express Co., expressing	3 60
Gilbert Bennett, 1 keg soap powder	3 00
Heyward Bros. & Wakefield Co., 35 eclipse desks	108 50
Braman, Dow & Co., 1 brush	90
Wakefield Water Co., services 1 year	133 00
American Bank Note Co., printing diplomas	10 00
J. H. Ringer, labor and repairs	7 45
Lalia Bishop, car fares	4 50
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, stationery, etc.	3 60
H. Jaquith, care of lawns	4 25
D. Greaney, mason work	10 00
S. W. Bowker, teaming	5 50
E. E. Eaton, glass and shelves	4 75
J. R. Reid, carpenter work	24 83
D. P. Rolfe, painting and glazing	33 00
Fairbanks & McKenzie, painting and glazing	110 00
C. H. Howe, sundry expenses	4 18
Oderless Excavating Co., cleaning vaults	17 18
J. D. Alden, 1 bbl. dust layer	45 25
W. L. Griffin, removing ashes	5 00
C. H. Spencer, 17 m. shingles and lumber	55 25
Thos. Thrush, mason work	10 75
D. H. Philbrook, 22 screens	11 87
Boston Spar Co., labor on flag pole	44 32
G. T. Hoyt & Co., repairing flag	8 00
W. B. Badger & Co., desk rail	13 75
Geo. S. Perry & Co., 1 dozen ink wells	10 00
Highway Department, 75 yds. concrete at 25c.	18 75
S. A. Dinsmore & Co., 10 gals. disinfectant	17 50
Sydney Merchant, paint for flag staff	2 40
E. I. Purrington, labor on flag staff	3 28
W. N. Gray, repairs on roof	10 50
A. D. Damon, setting up furniture Warren school	5 55
C. Latimer, expressing	1 30
W. B. Badger, tables and chairs	17 00
Ames Plow Co., 1 barrow	9 00

Geo. S. Perry & Co., desk stops	3 60
Fuller & Warren, furnace grate	4 10
D. W. Hunt, teaming	9 80
F. J. Barnard & Co., repairing books	1 25
Dana Dudley, keys and labor	45
C. A. Perkins, carpenter work	3 00
J. L. Hammett & Co., 4 doz. thermometers	5 60
D. W. Hunt, sawdust	2 40
Wm. F. Doucette, labor	1 25
John Flanley, shades, etc.	10 10
Heyward Bros. & Wakefield Co., 11 baskets	14 25
J. W. Poland, repairs on flag	1 50
Cutler Bros., lawn mowers and tools	21 00
John Flanley, rent of hall for exhibit	25 00
E. W. Snow & Co., oil	2 60
W. P. Mansfield, expressing	50
N. A. Heath, painting	2 00
E. de Anguera, piano cover	1 00
H. F. Miller & Sons Piano Co., 1 square piano	95 00
Standard Chemical Co., chemicals	13 20
Roger Howard, carpenter work	96 08
R. J. Lawder, electrical work	8 31
Wm. Hall & Co., 2 door springs	9 50
Winship, Boit & Co., $\frac{1}{2}$ division fence	45 00
Geo. H. Taylor, hardware	75
Sylvester Burdett, opening armory 12 times at 75c. . . .	9 00
E. E. Lee, vinegar, oil, etc.	1 50
J. H. Ringer, glass and labor	2 10
C. E. Hussey, incidental expenses	16 48
A. A. Butler, bench foundations	8 00
C. H. Spencer, lumber	1 48
F. W. Pierce, expressing	6 40
H. C. Howes, rope on flag pole	2 00
American Express Co., expressing	65
Total	\$1,965 62
Balance unexpended	284 38
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	\$2,250 00

SCHOOL GENERAL EXPENSES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized. . .	\$29,950 00
Income from tuition for year ending Feb. 1, 1899	647 50

Total \$30,597 50

Expended as follows :

SALARIES.

Teachers, as per pay rolls	\$24,177 91
Janitors, as per pay rolls	1,990 00
Chas. E. Hussey, superintendent of schools . .	1,500 00
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	\$27,667 91

MILITARY EXPENSES.

Sylvester Burditt, opening armory 13 times at 75c.	\$9 75
Jas. H. Keough, opening armory 25 times at 75c.	18 75
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	\$28 50

FUEL EXPENSES.

Mansfield & Cheney, wood and coal	\$37 75
“ “ coal	1,637 65
“ “ 159 tons coal	543 02
“ “ 4 tons coal	25 00
John Toomey, 25½ cords wood	107 75
J. H. Ringer, sawing and splitting wood . .	9 00
Jas. H. Blair, “ “ “ “	9 19
L. P. Hooper, “ “ “ “	4 32
Thos. Thrush, housing “ “ “	3 00
A. W. Ventress, sawing and “ “	2 00
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	\$2,378 68

TUITION.

Town of Melrose, 11 scholars 1 year, to Feb 1, 1899	\$330 00
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RECAPITULATION.

Salaries	\$27,667 91
Military expenses	28 50

Fuel	2,378 68
Tuition	330 00
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Total	\$30,405 09
Balance unexpended	192 41
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	\$30,597 50

MAIN STREET SIDEWALK, LAKESIDE.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$150 00
Expended as per report highway surveyor . . .	\$110 36
General highway appropriation, crushed stone . . .	46 21
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	\$156 57
Overdrawn	6 57
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	\$150 00

This overdraft taken from General Highway.

MURRAY STREET REPAIRS.

March 29, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$200 00
Expended as per report highway surveyor . . .	\$188 89
General highway appropriation, crushed stone . . .	163 72
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	\$352 61
Overdrawn	152 61
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	\$200 00

This overdraft taken from General Highway.

JORDAN AVENUE WALL.

March 29, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$100 00
Paid George W. Killorin, building wall . . .	\$100 00

BYRON STREET SIDEWALK.

April 4, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$50 00
Paid for labor as per pay rolls	\$55 56
Overdrawn	5 56
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	\$50 00

TOWN HOUSE EXPENSES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$1,800 00
Income to Feb. 1, 1899, as voted . . .	416 00
Total,	<u>\$2,216 00</u>

Expended as follows :

Municipal Light Plant, 44,940 hours electric lighting	\$449 40
“ “ 262,600 ft. gas . . .	472 06
“ “ 13 incandescent lamps . . .	3 35
R. F. Draper, janitor 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899 . . .	600 00
“ “ washing towels	2 90
Braman, Dow & Co., labor, steam fitting and piping	67 74
Cutler Bros., shovels, oil, soap, etc.	10 38
George H. Taylor, hardware, labor, etc.	26 29
C. H. Spencer, lumber	1 81
Hoyt B. Parker, carpenter work	80
Dana Dudley, door keys	2 65
A. D. Oxley, lumber and labor	60
S. F. Littlefield & Co., hardware, etc.	45
Keeler & Co., repairing furniture	23 00
Lucas Bros., “ clocks	4 50
J. H. Draper, cleaning brass fixtures	7 50
E. B. Nye, care of piano 1 year	10 00
D. W. Hunt, removing ashes and rubbish	6 00
Sulpho Naphthol Co., 1 gal. naphthol,	3 00
R. F. Draper, Jr., feather duster	2 75
Talbot & Co., 1 gal. tabo	3 00
Jas. Devlin, repairs on flag	4 25
American Express Co., expressing	75
J. W. Poland & Co., flannel, cheese cloth, etc.	3 24
Wakefield Water Co., service 1 year	60 00
C. C. Bridge, glazing	7 00
W. G. Strong, cleaning cellar	5 00
John Flanley, mattresses for lockup	12 50
D. H. Philbrook, screen	1 00
A. W. Brownell, engagement calendar	1 50
A. D. Oxley, shelf	8 50

S. F. Littlefield & Co., hardware, etc.	17 58
W. O. Evans, labor at hall	28 00
John Toomey, 57 tons coal	278 20
S. M. Seabury, painting and varnishing	20 00
H. L. Badger, repairing chairs	6 30
Wakefield Water Co., service pipe	39 90
Lucas Bros., clock repairs	1 00
E. I. Purrington, labor and hardware	12 86
Morrill & Atwood, ice, 1 year to Jan. 1, 1899	12 00
Municipal Light Plant, 12 incandescent lamps	3 00
Total	\$2,220 76
Overdrawn	4 76

\$2,216 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

March 14, appropriation authorized	\$3,300 00
Nov. 14, 1898, additional appropriation	850 00

\$4,150 00

Expended as follows:

STEAMER LUCIUS BEEBE.

E. I. Purrington, salary engineer 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	\$125 00
W. Tyzzer, salary assistant engineer to June 1, 1898	33 34
Geo. H. Hathaway, horse hire	118 00
New Departure Bell Co., repairs on gong	2 63
E. I. Purrington, repairs	22 50
Pay roll, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	243 47
Total	\$544 94.

HOOK AND LADDER CO.

Geo. H. Hathaway, horse hire	\$24 00
Wm. Tyzzer, care truck to June 1, 1898	16 67
E. I. Purrington, repairing ladders	2 70
H. C. Ayscough, driver to Feb. 1, 1899	428 33
Pay roll, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	358 33
Total	\$830 03

CARTER HOSE, NO. 1.

Pay roll, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	\$250 00
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VOLUNTEER HOSE, NO. 2.

Block & Cate, 100 gals. oil at 7c.	\$7 00
Wm. Wood, steward 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	24 99
J. M. Perley, 2 tons coal at \$5.15	10 30
C. Latimer, use of horse and pung	5 00
Pay roll, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	250 00
Total	\$297 29

MONTROSE HOSE.

L. E. Carter, oil and chimneys	\$6 60
M. F. Hurley, steward, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	40 00
J. M. Perley, 2 tons coal at \$5.15	10 30
Jane Gould, rent of land	12 00
J. R. Reid, use of pung	2 00
Cutler Bros., supplies	50
A. L. Mansfield, wood	2 00
Mansfield & Cheney, wood	1 00
Total	\$74 40

GREENWOOD HOSE, NO. 3.

S. F. Littlefield & Co., repairs	\$9 20
Wakefield Water Co., service	11 00
Mansfield & Cheney, 1 ton coal	6 50
Charles Barnes, repairs on plumbing	3 70
A. F. Heath, repairing doors	1 50
Sederquest, Wanamake & Co., repairs and flag pole irons	7 25
S. J. Barnes, repairing stove	3 60
Cutler Bros., lamps and burners	5 95
C. E. Classen, steward, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	25 00
Alexander Glass, use of horse	2 00
Z. P. Alden, wood and teaming	3 00
J. M. Perley, 5 tons coal at \$5.15	25 75
Total	\$104 45

FIRE ALARM EXPENSES.

A. D. Oxley, cross arms	\$6 50
Beattie Zinc Co., zines and coppers	27 50
Wm. Tyzzer, labor	15 50
Geo. M. Stevens, supplies and repairs	104 68
Wm. E. Cade, superintendent, 1 year to Feb. 1, 1899	100 00
“ “ repairs on lines, and supplies	115 94
Fred N. Lord, labor on lines	2 00
Sederquest & Wanamake Co., box boards	70
Pettingill & Andrews, supplies	4 15
Callahan Co., 50 zines	20 00
Goodhart Electric Co., bal. due on protectors	80 00
Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Co., gong board	6 25
Total	<hr/> \$483 22

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Geo. H. Hathaway, horse hire	\$38 00
“ “ repairs, supplies and harness	70 05
A. W. Brownell, printing and stationery	7 50
S. F. Littlefield & Co., labor and material	20 51
C. W. Moulton, shavings	1 50
American Express Co., expressing	2 00
Cutler Bros., hay, grain and feed	143 46
Cutler Bros., supplies, etc.	58 82
Municipal Light Plant, gas to Jan. 1, 1899	72 18
T. McMahan, labor	2 50
H. H. Sweetser, labor	3 75
C. Latimer, use of pung and expressing	22 65
F. W. Pierce, expressing	75
Wm. Tyzzer, janitor to June 1, 1898	83 33
Wm. Tyzzer, care resevoirs, etc.	18 86
A. A. Butler, repairs on reservoir	50
Wakefield Water Co., service, 1 year	31 00
Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Co., 51 yds. matting	17 85
Wm. Tyzzer, labor	4 25
Wm. Tyzzer, driver, 8 mos. to Feb. 1, 1899	480 00
Useful Novelty Co., salt and feeders	4 20

Wm. E. Cade, testing hydrants	6 00
Wm. Ricker, 1 bench	3 00
J. W. Poland, bed clothing	17 55
Giles & Tupper, horse shoeing	27 25
Giles & Tupper, repairing, etc.	2 00
Frank Porter, laundry work	6 64
C. W. Hudson Co., harness oil	2 40
Wallace Kendall, varnishing hose wagon	12 00
H. K. Barnes, rein snaps	2 50
C. Callahan Co., repairs on hose	15 50
Thos. Thrush, mason work	1 25
Geo. H. Taylor, labor, hardware and repairs	7 44
S. A. Dinsmore, disinfectant	17 50
C. E. Berry, repairs on harness	6 53
C. W. Moulton, 1 chemical nozzle	3 00
Sederquest & Wanamake Co., repairs on hose wagon	20 50
J. M. Perley, 19 tons coal	96 41
G. A. Seaver, care firemen's lot	2 00
E. I. Purrington, labor and material	57 03
J. B. McLane, wheel jack	2 50
Geo. H. Taylor, hardware	1 95
J. Laybolt, horse clippers	1 85
M. J. Curley, hay and grain	31 61
R. J. Lawder, 10 gas lights	7 00
Cutler Bros., supplies	5 96
Tobias Libby, 1 set double harness	38 80
Smith & Anthony, 1 grate bar	1 20
Geo. E. Smith, carpenter work	22 64
Mrs. Grey, laundry	1 73
E. Caldwell, beds, springs, mattresses, etc.	42 50
Total	<hr/> \$1,547 90

RECAPITULATION.

Steamer Lucius Beebe	\$544 94
Hook and Ladder	830 03
Carter Hose, No. 1	250 00
Volunteer Hose, No. 2	297 29

Montrose Hose	74 40
Greenwood Hose, No. 3	104 45
Expenses fire alarm	483 22
Miscellaneous expenses	1,547 90
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Total	\$4,132 23
Balance unexpended	17 77
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	\$4,150 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$4,000 00
Nov. 14, 1898, additional appropriation . . .	1,000 00
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	\$5,000 00

Expended as follows :

BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENSES.

Geo. H. Taylor, hardware, labor, etc.	\$8 25
Geo. S. Tukey, inspection of plumbing	349 50
Chas. Dutton, M. D., professional services	42 00
J. S. Bonney, drugs, medicines, etc.	19 39
Edward E. Lee, groceries and supplies	47 65
W. H. McCausland, posting warning cards, and ex- penses	331 00
Thos. Hickey, stamps, etc.	10 90
Mansfield & Cheney, one-half ton coal	3 00
Dennis O'Connell, burying dog	1 00
W. L. Griffin, burying calf	1 00
John McLain, " dog	1 00
J. S. Bonney, telephone bill	20 85
Butler Bros., disinfecting	8 50
Geo. W. Killorin, labor on Centre pond	2 00
Frank Kelley, 1 day's labor	2 00
A. L. Vannah, serving notice	1 10
J. W. Heath, M. D., professional services	28 00
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	\$877 14

TOWN CLERK'S RETURNS.

J. A. O'Leary, M. D., return of 156 births at 25c. .	\$39 00
Chas. Dutton, M. D., " 72 " 25c. .	18 00
Oliver Walton, " 95 deaths at 25c. .	23 75
Butler Bros., " 80 " 25c. .	20 00
J. W. Heath, M. D., " 71 births at 25c. .	17 75
C. F. Hartshorne, recording and indexing 220 births at 50c., 84 marriages at 20c., and 155 deaths at 20c.	157 80
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ELECTION EXPENSES.

J. F. Parker, half gross pencils	\$2 25
H. B. Parker, labor on booths	2 25
Pay roll, March 5 election	190 00
H. P. Alden, labor on booths, precinct No. 2	5 00
C. H. Curtis, meals, election officers, March 7, 1898,	61 75
C. H. Curtis, " " " Nov. 8, 1898	35 30
J. Fred Parker, preparing ballot sheets	3 00
Pay roll, election, Nov. 8, 1898	170 00
A. L. Weston, labor on booths, precinct No. 2	5 00
A. W. Brownell, printing	7 15
M. P. Foster, printing	4 50
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SIXTH REGIMENT, M. V. M. HEADQUARTERS.

Municipal Light Plant, 4 incandescent lamps	\$1 00
H. C. Ayscough, teaming furniture	5 00
D. H. Philbrook, gun racks and screens	12 25
E. T. Cooper, labor and hardware	12 17
Geo. S. Perry, table, desks and easel	82 33
E. C. Phillips, 2 banner holders	3 74
J. W. Poland & Co., 4 curtains	3 00
Geo. H. Taylor, electric fixtures	15 31
Middlesex Traders, 9 mos. rent, headquarters	150 00
Municipal Light Plant, 808 hours, electric lighting .	8 08
	<hr/> \$292 88

SPANISH WAR AID.

Etta M. Morrison	\$84 00
Anna Brockbank	84 00
Jane Ayscough	52 00
Carrie M. Baxter	56 00
Caroline McIntire	28 00
Lillian M. Parker	72 00
Lucy M. Sedgely	48 00
Sarah A. Cosman	24 00
Henry Lawrence	20 00
Josephine Fiendel	20 00
Bessie W. Bloom	16 00
Helen M. Smith	8 00
Elizabeth Dean	16 00
Agnes Bailey	16 00
Louise E. Chesley	8 00
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	\$552 00

LEGAL EXPENSES.

Hurlburt & Jones, services, water committee . .	\$300 00
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SUNDRY EXPENSES UNCLASSIFIED.

Waldo March, rebate of taxes and deed . . .	\$15 50
Thos. Hickey, P. M.	15 00
A. J. Perham, hack hire	7 50
C. W. Eaton, inspecting records, assessors . .	52 00
C. H. Curtis, meals for registrars	4 50
A. D. Oxley, drawer and handle	1 25
S. F. Littlefield & Co., repairs on drinking fountain	4 00
Lucas Bros., repairs on ballot boxes	3 40
A. L. Vannah, services as constable	22 80
W. N. Tyler, carriage hire, cemetery committee .	1 00
T. J. Skinner, rent of safe deposit vault . . .	5 00
Henry M. Meek, directory	2 00
C. E. Walton, labor for sewerage committee . .	15 00
I. W. Wheeler & Co., flag for town hall . . .	8 50
Thos. Kiley, cleaning up old cemetery	50 00
S. F. Littlefield & Co., repairs on horse fountain .	2 25

J. E. Perkins, rebate, illegal tax sale	28 02
American Express Co., expressing	1 45
Commonwealth of Mass., certified copies, condition of Water Co.	9 00
M. L. Andrews, typewriting, water committee	16 00
Keeler & Co., ash bookcase	68 00
A. L. Vannah, killing and burying dog	1 00
John Flauley, repairs on chairs, selectmen's room	1 50
J. C. Rounds, lodging, man and woman	2 00
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, stationery, etc.	8 00
Fred S. Hartshorne, distributing town reports	15 00
C. Latimer, expressing	30
R. F. Draper, truant officer, 2 years	50 00
A. L. Vannah, " " 1 year	25 00
R. F. Draper, lockup-keeper, 1 year	50 00
Daniel Evans, distributing reports, precinct 2	2 00
Willis M. Ranney, labor	22 84
F. W. Young, advertising	1 75
John Flanley, repairing furniture	25 75
Wakefield Water Co., service, drinking fountains, 1 yr.,	232 50
D. W. Hunt, trimming tree	2 50
Little, Brown & Co., copy of Public Statutes	4 25
Thos. Hickey, P. M., internal revenue stamps	10 00
M. F. S. Cox, 556 assessors' transfers at 10c.	55 60
H. A. Simonds, school census	30 00
J. A. McFadden, serving town warrant	7 90
Darius Hadley, services as moderator	25 00
R. S. Stout, car fares, sewerage committee	17 66
Jas. L. Woodburn, ringing bell, July 4	2 50
A. W. Ventress, " " July 4	2 50
Geo. O. Russell, " " July 4	2 50
Z. P. Alden, " " July 4	2 50
Jas. A. Bancroft, surveys and levels, Cedar St. drain,	13 00
State of Maine, returns for assessors	10 00
R. S. Stout, bills of expense, sewerage committee	10 39
R. F. Draper, meals for prisoners	44 50
T. J. Skinner, stamp and pad	2 30

Albert W. Flint, writing and posting bulletins	5 00
E. A. Upton, expense on Pearl street	20 00
Cutler Bros., weighing coal	3 90
F. S. Hartshorne, street list	20 00
F. S. Hartshorne, certified copy valuation book	50 00
John Flanley, 1 chair	3 50
Boston Spar Co., flagstaff and setting	350 00
Pay roll, Cedar street sand catchers	121 33
J. A. McFadden, serving town warrant	6 90
E. A. Hallett, serving dog warrant	10 00
H. A. Simonds, posting assessors' notices	4 00
N. E. Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	4 47
Jessie Gowen, typewriting	2 25
F. P. Hoyt, care of lanterns, Wakefield and Lynnfield line	58 55
Jos. Smith, labor, sewerage committee	2 00
A. A. Butler, labor, sewerage committee	7 28
John Henry, " " "	2 00
W. W. Bessey & Son, team hire, sewerage committee,	9 50
L. E. Hawes, services, sewerage committee	66 69
Chas. E. Walton, bal. salary, clerk for selectmen	100 00
W. W. Bessey & Son, team hire, assessors	8 00
Adele H. Hartshorne, registrars' copies	10 00
Geo. K. Walton, blacksmith work	2 00
Z. P. Alden, clearing ice from water trough	4 00
Jas. Regan, labor, sewerage committee	4 00
John Henry, labor, sewerage committee	4 00
Geo. G. Baker, inspection Moncrief building	5 00
F. W. Pierce, expressing	15
Overseers of Poor, board, A. J. Green	99 35
Geo. H. Hathaway, sprinkling street, 23 weeks at \$2,	46 00
Daily Item, advertising for bills	1 25
M. P. Foster, " "	1 25
A. W. Brownell, stamped envelopes and printing	23 00
J. A. Bancroft, surveying for cemetery committee	12 50
J. S. Bonney, expenses, milk inspection	3 01
Geo. M. Kelley, blacksmithing, Cedar street drain	6 90

M. P. Foster, advertising for various boards	62 35
E. A. Hallett, truant officer, 1 year	25 00
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	\$2,178 04

RECAPITULATION.

Board of Health expenses	\$877 14
Town Clerk's returns	276 30
Election expenses	486 20
Headquarters 6th Regiment, M. V. M.	292 88
Spanish War Aid	552 00
Legal expenses	300 00
Sundry expenses unclassified	2,178 04
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Total	\$4,962 56
Balance unexpended	37 44
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	\$5,000 00

NEW NORTH WARD SCHOOL HOUSE.

July 11, 1898, appropriation authorized, bonds	\$12,000 00
Nov. 21, 1898, additional appropriation	2,500 00
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Total	\$14,500 00
Expended this year as follows :	
H. P. Cummings & Co., on acct. contract	\$4,800 00
Hartwell, Richardson & Driver, on acct. architects	300 00
A. M. Ellis, building moving	100 00
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Total	\$5,200 00
Balance available for next year	9,300 00
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	\$14,500 00

COOPER STREET.

Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year	\$1,479 50
June 27, voted that this balance be returned to treasury	\$1,479 50

CRYSTAL STREET.

Nov. 14, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$200 00
Balance unexpended	\$200 00

TOWN FARM WIND MILL.

March 29, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$400 00
Nov. 21, 1898, additional appropriation . . .	170 00
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Total	\$570 00
Expended as follows :	
C. J. Jager & Co., 1 12-ft. Junior mill . . .	\$386 75
W. A. Wood & Co., 2 gals. oil . . .	2 00
Wm. Oliver, building fence . . .	3 36
A. A. Butler, excavating and foundations . . .	135 35
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Total	\$527 46
Balance unexpended	42 54
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	\$570 00

BENNETT STREET.

November 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$2,000 00
Expended as per report highway surveyor . . .	\$365 74
General Highway appropriation, crushed stone . . .	24 18
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	\$389 92
Balance unexpended	1,610 08
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	\$2,000 00

NEW SALEM STREET.

Nov. 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$200 00
Labor as per pay roll	42 00
Balance unexpended	158 00
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	\$200 00

CHESTNUT STREET.

June 27, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$3,000 00
Expended as per report highway surveyor . . .	1,361 76
General highway appropriation, crushed stone . . .	1,669 08
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	\$3,030 84
Overdrawn	30 84
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	\$3,000 00

This overdraft taken from general highway.

EDGESTONES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . . \$250 00

Received from abutters as follows :

M. J. Nichols	\$24 58
G. A. Wheeler	16 34
Albert W. Flint	46 33
W. G. Strong	17 65
D. W. Hunt	3 32
Estate F. Williams	31 94
C. F. Woodward	4 60
J. W. Jenkins	18 46
Theodora Cutler	13 25
Geo. D. Lucas	7 75
Junius Beebe	49 82
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Total . . . \$484 04

Expended as follows :

F. E. Newhall, 858 ft. 8 inches straight at 53c.	\$455 09
" " " 13 ft. 1½ inches circle at \$1.00	13 12
" " " 80 ft. 7 inches reset at 15c.	12 09
" " " raising stone at Albion St. cistern	3 50
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Total . . . \$483 80

Balance unexpended . . . 24

\$484 04

CEDAR STREET DRAIN.

Oct. 3, 1898, appropriation authorized . . . \$2,500 00

Expended as follows :

Labor as per pay rolls	\$951 27
C. H. Spencer, lumber	5 67
Smith & Anthony, 10 sandcatchers	153 68
" " 3 covers	3 04
D. W. Hunt, teaming and use of pump	24 08
" " " " "	28 10
F. E. Newhall, covering, edge and basin stone	188 16
Osgood & Hart, rings and covers	21 00

Cutler Bros., 10 lanterns at 50c.	5 00
McIntosh Bros., blacksmith labor	3 20
Geo. H. Taylor, hardware and tools	1 90
“ “ drain pipe	1,228 65
Total	<u>\$2,613 75</u>
Overdrawn	<u>113 75</u>
	\$2,500 00

To the above should be added \$121.33 to labor as per pay roll paid from miscellaneous expenses before regular appropriation was made. (See miscellaneous expenses.)

COMMON AND PARK.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$450 00
Nov. 14, 1898, additional appropriation	150 00
	<u>\$600 00</u>

Expended as follows :

Wm. H. Murray, care of park	\$250 00
“ “ labor on trees, care of flag, etc.	36 52
M. P. Foster, advertising and printing	6 50
Cutler Bros., hardware, tools, etc.	16 09
C. N. Richardson, 13 settees	55 95
S. M. Spencer & Son, burning brand	1 50
R. J. Farquahar, water lillies and tulips	16 50
S. F. Littlefield & Co., hardware	3 50
C. A. Gardner, filling flower beds	25 00
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, record book	2 25
Sederquest, Wanamake & Co., repairing mower	3 50
Roger Howard, labor on flagstaff	3 10
Wakefield Water Co., service	7 50
Ames Plow Co., lawn mower, tools, etc.	27 29
George H. Maddock, sundry bills paid by him	15 33
Total	<u>\$470 53</u>
Balance unexpended	<u>129 47</u>
	\$600 00

EXTENSION ELECTRIC LINES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$500 00
Received from sale of fixtures	7 75
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	\$507 75

Expended as per detailed report Municipal Light

Plant	\$652 33
Overdrawn	144 58
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	\$507 75

EXTENSION GAS MAINS.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$3,000 00
Expended as per detailed report of Municipal	
Light Plant	2,387 87
Balance unexpended	612 13
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	\$3,000 00

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$1,200 00
Nov. 14, 1898, additional appropriation . . .	300 00
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	\$1,500 00

Expended as follows :

Alvin L. Vannah, sal. as chief, Feb. 1 to April 1, '98	\$141 40
“ “ expenses, March and April, 1898	3 49
E. A. Hallett, sal. as chief to Jan. 1, 1899 . . .	546 10
“ “ expenses, travelling, etc.	44 43
C. A. Twitchell & Co., repairs on badges . . .	85
“ “ ½ doz. police badges	10 50
Arthur Ledwith, gong and fixtures	5 00
Thos. Hickey, P. M., stamps	4 00
A. J. Perham, hack hire	3 25
H. M. Meek, directory	2 00
A. W. Brownell, printing and envelopes . . .	2 80
N. A. Heath, burying dog	1 00
J. J. Kennedy, burying dog	1 00
C. H. R. Dunn, burying 3 dogs	3 00

Geo. H. Hathaway, team hire	3 00
Cutler Bros., 2 lanterns	1 33
E. A. Pinnock, court expense liquor case	10 00
Pay roll, July 4, officers' services	90 30
C. S. Merrill, services as officer	91 55
J. A. McFadden, " "	5 10
C. H. R. Dunn, " "	53 85
N. A. Heath, " "	97 30
Geo. H. Potter, " "	58 35
Edwin McDuffee, " "	32 65
J. H. Buckley, " "	2 80
H. E. Phillips, " "	15 90
Jas. J. Kennedy, " "	54 50
E. F. Poland, " "	2 00
Gilbert S. Berry, " "	23 00
E. P. McDonnell, " "	38 90
F. H. Robinson, " "	54 15
J. A. O'Leary, prof. services	1 25
W. W. Bessey & Son, carriage hire	23 00
A. G. Anderson, services as officer	5 65
C. E. Towuley, " "	29 80
Glover Dixie, " "	10 80
J. A. McDonald, " "	13 05
Total	\$1,487 05
Balance unexpended	12 95
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	\$1,500 00

CONCRETE WORK.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized	\$1,000 00
April 4, 1898, " "	50 00

Received from abutters as follows:

Martha J. Nichols	\$23 63
George A. Wheeler	13 88
Moses Boardman	9 34
Rufus Kendrick	4 00
Wm. G. Strong	9 07
A. H. Thayer	18 75

C. F. Woodward	3 61
W. H. Frye	3 50
Estate F. Williams	2 72
Seth Crosby	3 33
Real Estate & Building Asso'n	1 33
Mansfield & Cheney	2 50
Edward Barker	20 63
E. M. Grover	9 00
O. M. Cutler	36 00
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	\$161 29

Total \$1,211 29

Expended as follows:

Labor as per pay rolls	\$648 24
Chapman & Soden, 1080 gals. pitch at 9c.	97 20
G. W. Killorin, patching and dressing	54 92
G. W. Killorin, 5 bbls. tar and teaming	17 50
Barstow's express, expressing	4 40
C. Latimer, expressing	4 00
Ames Plow Co., furnace and cauldron	10 00
D. C. Wright, 194 loads gravel at 10c.	19 40
Boston & Maine R. R., freight	1 80
Chapman & Soden. 120 gals. pitch at 9c.	10 80
Municipal Light Plant, 2 chaldrons coke	3 63
“ “ 90 bbls. tar at \$3.50	271 00
General highway appropriation, crushed stone	85 98
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	\$1,228 87
Overdrawn	17 58
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	\$1,211 29

This overdraft taken from general highway.

STONE STREET CROSSINGS.

March 14. 1898, appropriation authorized	\$300 00
Expended as follows:	
F. E. Newhall, 490 $\frac{3}{4}$ ft. flagging at 60c.	\$294 40
Balance unexpended	5 60
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	\$300 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$9,000 00
Nov. 14, 1898, additional appropriation . . .	1,000 00
Feb. 1, 1899, received from sale of dynamite, etc. .	1 50
Feb. 1, 1899, " " " " crushed stone to individuals	87 65
Feb. 1, 1899, received from sale of crushed stone to special appropriations	2,759 05
Feb. 1, 1899, received from use of steam roller .	40 00
Deposited by selectmen to cover snow work . .	1,000 00
Total	\$13,888 20
Expended as per report of highway surveyor,	\$13,562 94
Overdraft on specials	280 29
	\$13,843 23
Balance unexpended	44 97
	\$13,888 20

MORRISON ROAD.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$1,500 00
Expended as per report of highway surveyor .	\$802 81
General highway appropriation, crushed stone .	769 88
Total	\$1,572 69
Overdrawn	72 69
	\$1,500 00

This overdraft taken from general highway.

BROADWAY REPAIRS.

Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year . .	\$102 88
Expended as follows:	
Pay rolls, labor	\$55 34
Mass. Broken Stone Co., use steam roller, . .	18 33
Aaron A. Butler, stone and labor	29 21
	\$102 88

PARK AVENUE.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$950 00
Expended as per report of highway surveyor . . .	\$949 90
Balance unexpended*	10
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	\$950 00

MAIN STREET, LAKESIDE.

March 21, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$300 00
Expended as per report of highway surveyor . . .	\$310 79
Overdrawn	10 79
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	\$300 00

FIRE ESCAPE, GREENWOOD SCHOOLHOUSE.

Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year . . .	\$38 00
Balance unexpended	38 00

POOR DEPARTMENT.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$6,000 00
Nov. 14, 1898, additional appropriation . . .	2,500 00
Feb. 1, 1899, income 1 year, to Feb. 1, 1899 . . .	2,577 04
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	\$11,077 04
Expended as per report of overseers . . .	\$10,968 89
Balance unexpended	108 15
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	\$11,077 04

MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT, GENERAL EXPENSES.

March 14, 1898, appropriation authorized . . .	\$1,500 00
Feb. 1, 1898, balance available from last year . . .	2,102 13
Feb. 1, 1899, income, 1 year to date, Feb. 1, 1899, . . .	18,094 58
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Total	\$21,696 71
Expended as per report of light board . . .	\$18,721 13
Balance unexpended	2,975 58
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	\$21,696 71

PRINTING, ADVERT'G AND STATIONERY.

March 21. 1898, appropriation authorized . . . \$1,000 00

Expended as follows:

Wakefield Daily Item, advertising, notices, etc.	\$19 00
M. P. Foster, advertising, notices, and printing for boards	237 15
A. W. Brownell, printing for boards	140 85
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, stationery, etc.	107 00
Hill, Smith & Co., stationery, etc.	2 20
A. W. Flint, 1 box of pens	2 00
H. A. Simonds, posting notices	4 00
Jessie Gowen, typewriting for selectmen	50
Geo. E. Dunbar, printing	6 50
S. B. Dearborn, " for tax collector	36 40
A. R. Gay & Co., box of pens	1 50
A. W. Brownell, printing town reports	442 90
Total	<hr/> \$1,000 00

REMODELING ENGINE HOUSE.

March 29. 1898, appropriation authorized . . . \$1,200 00

Expended as follows:

Geo. E. Smith, carpenter work and material	\$770 63
W. L. Dolbeare, flooring	211 50
Wm. H. Tyzzer, oiling woodwork	5 75
David Taggart, plumbing and piping	54 25
Hugh Morgan, vault and repairs	37 00
Geo. W. Killorin, vault foundation	8 00
E. S. Jacob, painting and oiling	7 87
John Briggs & Co., 5 galls. finish at \$1.50	7 50
Aaron A. Butler, drilling holes for fence	3 00
H. H. Sweetser, paint and labor	9 81
Cutler Bros., oil, glass, putty, etc.	11 91
S. F. Littlefield & Co., hardware and labor	72 81
Total	<hr/> \$1,200 03
Overdrawn	03

\$1,200 00

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD.

Auditors' final balance sheet for the year, showing amount for each department, together with the expenditure in each, amount overdrawn, and the unexpended balance:

	Amounts available for 1898-9.	Expended on appro- priations.	Unex- pended balance.	Balance overdrawn.
For Miscellaneous Expenses	\$5,000 00	\$4,962 56	\$37 44	.....
“ Support of the Poor...	11,077 04	10,968 89	108 15	.....
“ Support of Schools.....	30,597 50	30,405 09	192 41	.....
“ School Contingent Fund	2,250 00	1,965 62	284 38	.....
“ School Text Books and Supplies	2,500 00	2,430 09	69 91	.....
“ Salaries of Town Officers	5,355 00	5,355 00	.....	.....
“ Salaries of Night Watch- men	1,800 00	1,800 00	.....	.....
“ Expense of Town House	2,216 00	2,220 76	.....	4 76
“ Support of Fire Depart- ment.....	4,150 00	4,132 23	17 77	.....
“ Rental of Hydrants	4,340 00	4,340 00	.....	.....
“ Support of Police De- partment.....	1,500 00	1,487 05	12 95	.....
“ Common and Park Im- provement	600 00	470 53	129 47	.....
“ Memorial Day.....	250 00	250 00	.....	.....
“ Highways and Bridges..	13,888 20	13,843 23	44 97	.....
“ Concrete Sidewalks and Crossings	1,211 29	1,211 29	.....	.....
“ Park Avenue	950 00	949 90	10	.....
“ Interest on Town Debt.	14,823 42	13,164 98	1,658 44	.....
“ Main Street, Lakeside...	300 00	310 79	.....	10 79
“ Forest Fire Ward Ex- penses	600 00	600 00	.....	.....
“ Fish Committee Expenses	25 00	25 00	.....	.....
“ Main Street, Lakeside, Sidewalk	150 00	150 00	.....	.....
“ Greenwood School Build- ing (Bonds).....	1,274 40	1,250 00	24 40	.....
“ Edgestones	484 04	483 80	24	.....
“ General Expenses Munic- ipal Light Plant.....	21,696 71	18,721 13	2,975 58	.....
“ Maps, Plans, and Surveys	664 40	638 57	25 83	.....
“ Extension Gas Mains...	3,000 00	2,387 87	612 13	.....
“ Electric Lines.....	507 75	652 33	.....	144 58
“ Cooper Street.....	1,479 50	.....	1,479 50	.....

For Gould Street Repairs...	37 50	23 00	14 50	.....
" Broadway Repairs.....	102 88	102 88	.....	.....
" Fire Escape, Greenwood School.....	38 00	.....	38 00	.....
" Stone Crossings.....	300 00	294 40	5 60	.....
" Richardson Light Guard Expenses	600 00	420 40	179 60	.....
" Insurance Premiums....	600 00	862 88	.....	262 88
" Extensions Fire Alarm..	100 00	96 04	3 96	.....
" Printing, Advertising and Stationery	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....	.....
" Military Aid	900 00	848 00	52 00	.....
" Soldiers' Relief	2,900 00	2,849 00	51 00	.....
" Morrison Road.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....	.....
" Horses Fire Department	450 00	450 00	.....	.....
" Remodeling Engine House	1,200 00	1,200 03	.....	03
" Wind Mill, Town Farm	570 00	527 46	42 54	.....
" Murray Street Repairs..	200 00	200 00	.....	.....
" Jordan Avenue Wall....	100 00	100 00	.....	.....
" Byron Street Sidewalk..	50 00	55 56	.....	5 56
" New Town Cemetery...	5,500 00	5,500 00	.....	.....
" Greenwood Bridge	725 00	732 75	.....	7 75
" High School House Repairs.....	1,200 00	1,121 65	78 35	.....
" Chestnut Street	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....	.....
" Cedar Street Drain.....	2,500 00	2,613 75	.....	113 75
" New North Ward School House.....	14,500 00	5,200 00	9,300 00	.....
" Bennett Street.....	2,000 00	389 92	1,610 08	.....
" New Salem Street.....	200 00	42 00	158 00	.....
" Crystal Street.....	200 00	.....	200 00	.....
" Public Library	1,187 88	1,157 14	30 74	.....
" Public Reading Room...	175 00	174 06	94	.....
Totals.....	\$174,526 51	\$155,637 63	\$19,438 98	\$550 10

ALBERT W. FLINT,

Sec'y Board of Auditors.

WAKEFIELD, Feb. 1, 1899.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee, after their second year of service, present to the citizens of Wakefield a report of their doings the past year, with recommendations for the ordinary municipal appropriations for ensuing year, pursuant to the rules of the town.

The committee have made faithful endeavor to fulfil their official duties and realize what they understand to be the expectation of the voters of the town, in the investigation of the subject-matter of all articles in the town warrants involving the appropriation of money, and after due consideration to make report to the town, to the end that unreasonable and extravagant outlays may be prevented.

What degree of success has attended the labors of the committee can be best estimated by the citizens and tax payers of the town. Many public hearings have been held and opportunities given to all parties interested to present facts and arguments touching the matters in hand. It is usually the case, however, that only those persons who favor the action asked for appear before the committee, though information is sought from all sources, and therefore the recommendations reported to the town should be received not like the verdict of a jury after a fair presentation of both sides of a case, but simply as a declaration on the part of the committee, like the decision of a magistrate in a preliminary examination, that there is probable cause to believe the appropriation recommended is reasonable and right. When each article comes up in town meeting there should still be a free and full discussion of the subject on its merits, and the originators of proposed measures should be prepared to furnish reasons and evidence, without relying on the Finance

Committee as advocates for their recommendations. A similar statement might be made in respect to adverse reports of the committee.

The Finance Committee give public notice of their hearings, and citizens opposed as well as those in favor of proposed appropriations, are earnestly requested to be present at the hearings and assist in the investigations.

The annual expenditures of the town have reached alarming proportions, and it behooves all good citizens to consider every proposed outlay in the spirit of wise economy.

The committee organized March 25, 1898, by the election of Chester W. Eaton, chairman, and Albert R. Perkins, secretary.

There have been eighteen sessions of the committee with an average attendance of eleven members, the largest being twelve and the smallest eight.

At the town meeting in March, forty articles were referred to the Finance Committee, and three at the June meeting, one at the October meeting, and fifteen at the November meeting, making a total of fifty-nine. On these articles and also the annual municipal appropriations for the various departments seventy-three hearings have been given.

After careful consideration of the estimates presented by the several departments, the committee recommend that the following amounts be raised and appropriated for the use of said departments for the ensuing financial year:

Support of Schools, General	\$32,000 00
Contingent	2,000 00
Books and supplies	2,000 00
Poor Department, income from farm and outside sources and	6,000 00
Municipal Light Board, general income from plant.	
extension of electric lines,	1,000 00
Town House expenses, receipts and	1,800 00
Fire Department	4,700 00
Highways and Bridges, \$1,020 of which be used to defray snow expenses for November, 1898	\$11,000 00
Concrete sidewalks	500 00

Stone crossings	300 00
Edgestones	400 00
Police Department, including one extra permanent man	1,900 00
Night Watch	1,800 00
Salaries of Town Officers :	
Town Clerk	\$200 00
Selectmen	600 00
Assessors	900 00
Treasurer	400 00
Collector of Taxes	500 00
Overseers of Poor	300 00
Highway Surveyor, including expenses of a horse	900 00
Board of Health	100 00
Fire Engineers	100 00
Auditors	215 00
Municipal Light Board	250 00
Registrars of Voters	215 00
Forest Firewards	75 00
Town Solicitor	500 00
Milk Inspector	100 00
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Total	\$5,355 00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$4,000 00
Rental of Hydrants	4,340 00
Military Aid	875 00
Soldiers' Relief	2,900 00
Spanish War Relief	250 00
Memorial Day	250 00
Insurance Premiums	150 00
Richardson Light Guard	600 00
Printing, Advertising and Stationery	1,100 00
Interest on Town Debt	14,000 00
Town Library, dog tax and	500 00
Public Reading Room	175 00
Common and Park	600 00

Fish Committee	25 00
Forest Firewards	600 00

The terms of William G. Strong, George H. Smith, Fred O. Clark, Junius Beebe and Tobias Libby expire this year, and it becomes necessary to elect five members of the committee for a term of three years.

For the Committee,

CHESTER W. EATON, *Chairman.*

ALBERT R. PERKINS, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TOWN SURVEY AND ASSESSORS' PLANS.

This committee was chosen February 1, 1897, with authority and direction to cause a complete and accurate survey and plans of the town to be made for the use of the assessors, and at the annual meeting it was voted that the sum of \$3,000 be raised and appropriated for the purpose.

Bids were invited from prominent civil engineers, local and otherwise, and many propositions were received with great variations in the figures. The contract was finally awarded to the firm of Shedd & Sarle, civil engineers, of Providence, R. I., for the sum of \$2,960, and a satisfactory bond with surety was given by the contractors.

It was stipulated in detailed specifications that the entire territory of the town be platted on a scale of 80 feet to the inch for the thickly settled portions of the town and 160 feet to the inch for the sparsely settled portions, showing boundaries, measurements, areas, and numbers for each lot with a separate proprietorship, using the best means and instruments to insure accuracy. There was also to be delineated all streets, railroad locations, squares, parks, ponds, lakes, streams, public buildings and churches. A large index map of the town was to be furnished. The plats and maps were to be in triplicate, first on brass-bound, patented, draughting sheets in tints, 24 by 36 inches; second, a set of copies on tracing cloth, for future duplication; third, a set of blue prints on Linaura for working use.

Each plat was to be accompanied with index cards containing owner's name, street location, corresponding number, date of last deed of acquisition, and book and page of the deed's record. The work and materials were to be subject to the inspection of an expert engineer in behalf of the town. Mr. George M. Thompson of the committee, a professional engineer, was engaged

as inspector and carefully examined and tested field work and plottings, and no payments under the contract were made without his approval. It was found that forty-one plats were required to include all the territory of the town.

It is believed the engineers have in good faith performed their contract according to the specifications, and that the town has substantially accurate plans of its territory, from which the assessors can better apportion and equalize taxation.

The committee are glad to say they have kept the outlay within the appropriation, as appears by the following statement:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Appropriation authorized	\$3,000 00
Received of Shedd & Sarle for rent of room	153 33
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	\$3,153 33
Expended :	
Shedd & Sarle, as per contract	\$2,960 00
“ “ extras	11 10
G. M. Staples, typewriting specifications	5 60
Middlesex Traders, rent of room	77 50
Roger Howard, oak cabinet	70 00
Committee, for stationery, postage, etc.	3 30
Balance of appropriation unexpended	25 83
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	\$3,153 33

CHESTER W. EATON, *Chairman*,
 ALBERT R. PERKINS, *Secretary*,
 RICHARD S. STOUT,
 GEORGE M. TOMPSON,

Committee.

NOTE.—Mr. Tompson rendered professional and valuable services as inspector, in connection with the survey and plans, without charge to the town, and the other members of the committee think this fact should be made known, in order that citizens may accord due recognition of his generous public spirit.

Mr. Donald M. Houston, of this committee, being absent from the state, does not sign this report.

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

—OF THE—

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1899.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR 1898-99.

Ashton H. Thayer, <i>Chairman</i> , Greenwood,	Term expires, 1901
Mrs. Ida F. Carlisle, <i>Sec'y</i> , 9 Summit Ave.,	“ “ 1901
Selim S. White, 34 Chestnut Street,	“ “ 1899
Miss E. M. Greenwood, 4 Lafayette Street,	“ “ 1899
William B. Daniel, 9 Pearl Street,	“ “ 1900
Melvin J. Hill, West Chestnut Street,	“ “ 1900

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Charles E. Hussey, 12 Wave Avenue.

WAKEFIELD, MASS. :
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ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

ASHTON H. THAYER,	<i>Chairman.</i>
MRS. IDA F. CARLISLE,	<i>Secretary.</i>
WM. B. DANIEL,	<i>Treasurer.</i>

SUB-COMMITTEES.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

MRS. CARLISLE,	WM. B. DANIEL,	S. S. WHITE.
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COURSE OF STUDY.

M. J. HILL,	MISS GREENWOOD,	MRS. CARLISLE.
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TEACHERS AND SALARIES.

A. H. THAYER,	MISS GREENWOOD,	S. S. WHITE.
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TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

S. S. WHITE,	M. J. HILL,	MISS GREENWOOD.
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MUSIC, DRAWING AND CALISTHENICS.

MISS GREENWOOD,	W. B. DANIEL,	A. H. THAYER.
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PUBLIC PROPERTY.

W. B. DANIEL,	A. H. THAYER,	MRS. CARLISLE.
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FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

W. B. DANIEL,	M. J. HILL,	MRS. CARLISLE.
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TRUANT OFFICERS.

ALVIN L. VANNAH,	RUFUS F. DRAPER.
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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

CHARLES E. HUSSEY.

OFFICE HOURS.

Tuesdays and Fridays, 4 to 5 p. m., at School Committee Rooms, Flanley Block.

MEETINGS OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Third Friday evening of each month at 7.45 p. m., at School Committee Rooms.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

TO THE CITIZENS OF WAKEFIELD:—

The School Committee respectfully submit their annual report.

The past year has been a memorable one in the history of our country. The long standing trouble with Spain culminated in war, and in April '98, as in April '61, our "gallant sixth" were among the very first to respond to the President's call.

Superintendent Hussey being Sergeant-Major of the regiment, was granted a leave of absence and Mr. C. H. Howe, principal of the High School was made superintendent ad interim. The call for the regiment had come rather suddenly, and much work which comes at that time of the year was necessarily left undone by Mr. Hussey, but Mr. Howe put his shoulder to the wheel with a will and from then until Mr. Hussey's return in August he did efficient service. The work, being in addition to his duties as principal of the high school, was arduous and he was not sorry to be relieved.

The condition of the schools is, on the whole, satisfactory as to work done, though the crowded condition of the Lincoln School and the Franklin Street district is far from satisfactory. Some relief will be afforded upon completion of the new school house at the North Ward. Owing to increased membership in the High School it became necessary to give up the entire building to that school, and as only part of the ninth grade could be accommodated in the Lincoln building a school of that grade was estab-

lished at the Warren School with Miss M. A. Warren in charge.

Methods of teaching, the question as to whether graded or mixed schools are best, as well as various other matters in school work will probably always be open questions, but while it is being demonstrated by those in charge that this or that method is best, there is no question at the present time but what good teachers are an absolute necessity if satisfactory results are expected. They should be not only good, but excellent, mentally, morally and physically; such teachers are not always easily retained, because some other town or city which can pay higher salaries simply says "come" and in most cases the response is an immediate acceptance. In our opinion it is emphatically wrong for school officials to take teachers from another town during the school year without the consent of the committee where such teachers may be employed. We have lost four good teachers during the past year who resigned to accept more lucrative positions. We do not blame the teachers; the fault is elsewhere. We are aware that this is a repetition of our expressed opinions for several years past, but there is need of iteration and reiteration. The trouble is serious and general, and the only satisfactory remedy would seem to be in some action by the State.

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

The question of school expenses is both interesting and important; interesting because it touches us all in a very sensitive spot—our pocket book—and important because the support of the schools calls for the largest appropriation which a town is called upon to make. For this reason those who look at the matter superficially claim that committees are extravagant in their expenditures. School boards certainly are not infallible any more than some of their critics, but without admitting or denying such

charges we would respectfully ask for a careful consideration of the following tables. The various amounts in these tables are actual net expenditures.

Expenses do increase, and must, from year to year. As the town grows school accommodations must be provided, new buildings erected or old ones enlarged. Referring to the first table it will be seen that the greatest increase has been for teachers, janitors and fuel. The total number of teachers employed at present is fifty, including special teachers. With the introduction of boilers and large furnaces for heating, as required by the State, the consumption of coal is necessarily large, and this in turn calls for extra work by janitors and a corresponding increase in expense. The increase for incidental or "contingent" expenses, and the increase in cost of books and supplies since their introduction has been comparatively slight. For several years past the buildings have been repaired and painted out of the regular appropriations, the only exception being in the case of the high school building the past year. Free books and supplies were made obligatory in 1884. Since 1887 military drill has been a part of the curriculum of the high school. For the past five years a special teacher of drawing and a superintendent of schools has been employed, and notwithstanding all these, what is shown by this table? The per cent. of valuation appropriated in '97 was less than the average for the past twenty years. The average for the past five years is less than the five preceeding years, and the average for the five years previous to that was still greater. In 1897 books and supplies, based upon the average membership, cost one dollar and forty cents and a fraction per pupil. In 1888, ten years earlier, they cost one dollar and thirty-five cents and a fraction. In 1884, the first year they were purchased by the town, they cost a little over two dollars and seventy-nine cents per pupil.

The average per cent. of the valuation appropriated for

schools for the twenty years shown on this table is four and sixty-six one-hundredths mills (004.66), and the amount appropriated in 1897 was four and sixty-two one-hundredths mills (004.62) while the total cost per pupil for 1897, based upon the average membership, was \$20.93 ; this includes cost of supervision, teaching, fuel, janitors, books and supplies and repairs, but still we hear complaints of this expense, and from people who will send their children to some private school at an annual expense of several hundred dollars.

TABLE I.

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The second table is compiled from the report of the State Board of Education for 1896-7. These towns were taken at random without knowing their relative standing as compared with Wakefield, and the table was drawn up simply for comparison.

TABLE II.

	Popula- tion, Census of 1895.	Valua- tion, 1896.	Per ct. of Valua- tion.	No. of Schools.	Average Member- ship.	No. of Teachers	Sum ap- propriat'd for each child.
Arlington.....	6,515	\$7,851,663	003.42	26	1176	37	\$22 83.4
Belmont.....	2,843	4,125,095	002.72	12	446	15	25 20.2
Brookline	16,164	60,996,800	001.69	76	2635	110	39 18.4
Beverly.....	11,806	14,172,500	002.12	48	1848	53	16 30.2
Concord.....	5,175	3,862,772	004.71	13	771	27	23 62.9
Gloucester.....	28,211	15,522,384	004.00	89	3929	113	15 82.3
Melrose.....	11,965	11,434,165	003.69	53	2154	57	19 58.9
Milton.....	5,518	19,054,000	002.00	35	1015	47	37 54.8
Natick.....	8,814	5,617,085	004.96	37	1650	48	16 89.7
Reading.....	4,717	3,898,377	003.73	18	782	23	18 76.2
Revere.....	7,423	7,886,200	004.96	37	1650	48	16 89.7
Stoneham.....	6,284	4,762,485	003.63	25	962	29	17 98.3
Winchester.....	6,150	7,017,160	003.63	27	1289	36	19 79.9
Woburn	14,178	9,763,967	004.56	54	2438	62	18 27.3
Waltham.....	20,876	18,563,432	003.67	60	2536	80	26 90.3
Watertown.....	7,788	9,355,430	002.85	25	990	37	26 95.9
Wakefield.....	8,304	6,338,570	004.05	33	1606	42	15 99

After carefully considering the above tables, we leave it to the sober judgment of the town to decide whether or not our school system is extravagantly expensive or whether a total average cost of \$20.93 per pupil is unreasonably high.

DRAWING.

This has now been systematically taught for five years past by Miss Annie B. Parker of Reading, but previous to

last June the public had but a faint idea of what was being done in this line of work. The exhibition given in Flanley's hall in June last, was a revelation. The first exhibit given in '95 showed practically the beginning of the work. Both were interesting, but the second unquestionably awoke a livelier interest on the part of our townspeople from the fact that the advance made in the work was evident at a glance, and gave the public a better idea, not only of the work in drawing, but of the scope and quality of school work in general, than could be gained in almost any other way. Such exhibitions are instructive to pupils as well as to others. During the past year brush and color work have been introduced in the lower grades which has increased the interest of the pupils and will undoubtedly result in the next exhibit being even more pleasing and instructive than the last.

MANUAL TRAINING AND SEWING.

These two branches of instruction being just introduced we can say but little about them except from what we have seen in other places. It seems hardly credible that the criticisms of the school committee for introducing the above studies could come from reasonable, thinking men, or from those who had given any thought to, or who had made any investigation of, the matter. A former chairman of the school committee in his report twelve years ago well says: "Regarding manual training there is no reason why, if a boy has a taste for mechanics, he should not be allowed to cultivate that taste and receive instruction in the public schools, as well as a boy who expects to become a physician or a lawyer should be instructed in the Latin language." This is equally true of sewing for girls.

The cost of these studies is comparatively small. The stock for manual training costing about forty cents per

pupil per year, and the aggregate cost for sewing material being about twenty-five dollars for one year.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

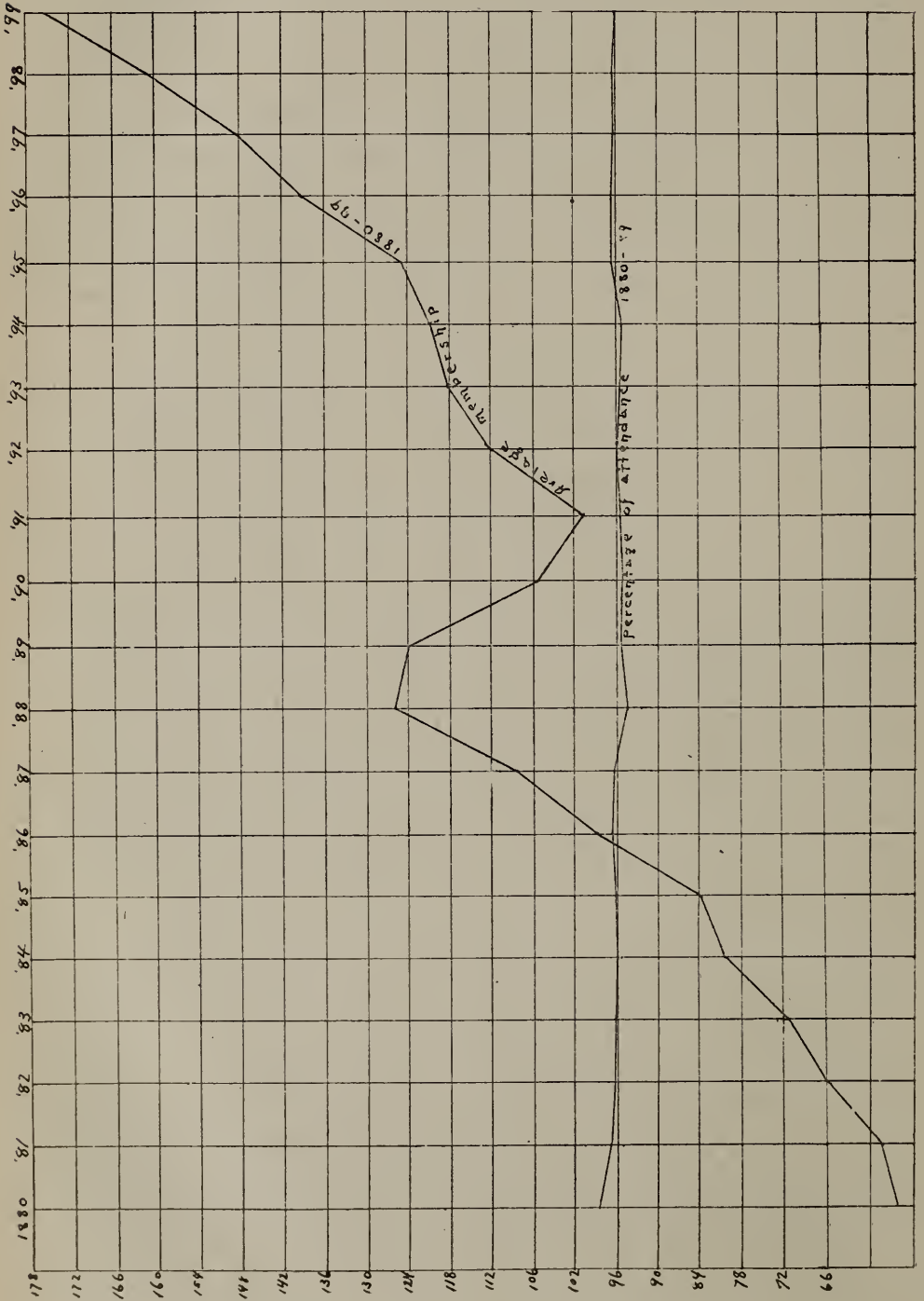
There is no end to the call for increased school accommodations. At the present time there are nearly six hundred pupils in the Lincoln building. There will be some relief upon the completion of the new North Ward school house, but there must shortly be increased accommodation for the Centre and Junction districts. This could be obtained either by finishing some rooms in the attic or by building a wing on the northeast corner of the Lincoln building or by erecting a new building at the Junction.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The present membership of the school is 196. The membership next September, Mr. Howe estimates, is likely to be 225 or more, and "the time does not seem far distant," he says, "when more recitation rooms will be necessary." Quoting further from his report to Supt. Hussey he says: "The work of the school, in general, has never, under the present administration, been in more hopeful condition. Despite all the disadvantages incident to rapid growth and frequent changes of teachers, the college idea seems to have gained strength; of last year's class, nine entered higher institutions, and one, after an experience as a country school master, has returned to school as a post graduate and is reviewing preparatory to entering Harvard the coming fall. From among the graduates of the last three years the school has three representatives at Amherst, three at Dartmouth, four at the Boston University, one at Tufts, two at Salem Normal and one at Boston Normal Art School."

The following diagram prepared by Mr. Howe, gives at a glance, a comprehensive view of the growth of the school for the past twenty years, the lower line showing the average attendance for the same time. Another chart drawn too late

for insertion in this report, showing the cost per pupil illustrates how, as the school increases in membership, the cost per pupil decreases and vice versa. They are interesting and instructive diagrams.



In response to the committee's recommendation in last year's report the town appointed a committee consisting of Mr. F. O. Clark, Mr. Geo. H. Teague and Maj. Geo. H. Taylor to superintend the repairs on and about the High school building. Owing to Maj. Taylor's military duties he was unable to attend to this work and the chairman of the school committee was chosen by the selectmen and repair committee, in his place. The underpinning and steps were thoroughly overhauled and repaired, the building repainted and several of the class rooms, walls and ceilings, were tinted and the decayed fancy work about the roof was removed, the whole adding materially to the condition and appearance of the building.

With the present year Mr. S. S. White closes a term of eighteen years' service for the public schools. Few men are better fitted for this work than Mr. White, and he has been a valuable member of the board. Owing to his business engagements it is impossible for him longer to attend to the duties of school committee. His resignation, received some weeks since, was accepted with a vote of regret, and of appreciation for his past services.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The receipts and appropriations for schools for the year ending Feb. 1st, 1899, were as follows :

General expenses, appropriation,	\$29,950 00
Received for tuition,	647 50
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Total,	\$30,597 50
 Paid teachers and sup't of schools,	 \$25,677 91
“ janitors,	2,018 50
“ Melrose for tuition,	330 00
“ for fuel,	2,378 68
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	\$30,405 09
 Balance unexpended,	 \$192 41

Appropriation for books and supplies,	\$2,500 00
Expended,	2,430 09
Balance unexpended,	<u>\$69 91</u>
Appropriation for incidentals,	\$2,250 00
Expended,	2,015 62
Balance unexpended,.	<u>\$234 38</u>

The estimates of the committee for the ensuing year are as follows :

General, for superintendent, teachers, janitors and fuel,	\$32,000 00
Books and supplies,	2,500 00
Incidentals,	2,250 00
Total,	<u>\$36,750 00</u>

and we respectfully recommend the above appropriations.

A. H. THAYER, *Chairman*;
 MRS. I. F. CARLISLE, *Secretary*;
 MR. M. J. HILL,
 MR. WM. B. DANIEL,
 MISS E. M. GREENWOOD,
School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:—

My sixth annual report as Superintendent of the schools of Wakefield is herewith respectfully submitted.

Schools have been in session for forty weeks beginning Sept. 9, 1898, closing June 29, 1898. The usual vacations of one week were allowed at Christmas and in April.

With this year closes the present custom of beginning the school registers in February. Until now the school census has been taken in May. Hereafter it will be taken in October on blanks issued by the State. Promotion and yearly enrollment of pupils will both take place in September. This will simplify the records and insure greater accuracy and similarity. Other features which the State Board of Education have decided upon will materially assist in the comparison of the school statistics of all the towns of the Commonwealth.

It would seem a good plan to begin the fiscal year at the same date, Sept. 1.

STATISTICS.

It is hoped that the following table giving certain facts as to the school census, enrollment, and attendance for the year will not be overlooked. The number of children of school age in town in May, 1897, was fifteen hundred and sixty-three (1563), and in 1898 there were sixteen hundred and twenty (1620), an increase of fifty-seven (57) children. The total enrollment for the year has been *nineteen hundred and ninty-nine* (1999); this includes every pupil who has been a member of any school in Wakefield from Feb., 1898, to Feb., 1899. As a basis for comparison it is not entirely

satisfactory or reliable on account of its variableness, depending on the yearly local business prosperity. The average number belonging, and the average daily attendance are better standards for calculation of any kind.

In the appendix is a special table referring to the high school for the past six years. The increase in the enrollment of this school has been remarkable, and the improvement in scholarship and other lines is no less worthy of mention.

STATISTICS.

Population, census of 1880,	.	.	.	.	.	5547
“ “ “ 1890,	.	.	.	.	.	6982
“ “ “ 1895,	.	.	.	.	.	8304

According to the school census the number of children in town between five and fifteen years on May 1, was as follows :

1891,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1223
1892,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1249
1893,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1336
1894,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1341
1895,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1433
1896,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1501
1897,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1563
1898, males 797, females 823, total,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1620
Number not in school for various reasons,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	137
Number between 8 and 14 years,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	909
Length of school year,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	40 weeks
Days lost—stormy weather, holidays, etc.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8½ days
Actual length of whole year,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	38.3 weeks

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.

Total enrollment of pupils in May,	.	.	.	.	1619
“ “ “ “ October,	.	.	.	.	1713
Average number belonging “ May,	.	.	.	.	1584.7
“ “ “ “ October,	.	.	.	.	1687.7
“ “ “ “ year,	.	.	.	.	1662
“ daily attendance for year,	.	.	.	.	1545
Per cent. of attendance for year,	.	.	.	.	92.7

ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.	Total Enrollment	Average Membership.	Average Attendance	Percentage of Attendance
From Feb., 1893, to Feb., 1894.....	1,570	1,292	1,196	92.6
From " 1894, " 1895.....	1,680	1,375	1,285	93.5
From " 1895, " 1896.....	1,882	1,499	1,405	92.7
From " 1896, " 1897.....	1,863	1,606	1,481	91.8
From " 1897, " 1898.....	1,893	1,598	1,497	93.5
From " 1898, " 1899.....	1,999	1,662	1,545	92.7

Increase during year in total enrollment,	.	.	.	106
" " " average membership,	.	.	.	64
" " " average attendance,	.	.	.	48
Average percentage of attendance for six years,	.	.	.	92.8

Resignations :

Grace M. Stevens,	High,	June.
Ethel E. Williams,	High,	June.
Susanne E. Goddard,	High,	June.
Grace M. Dennison,	Lincoln,	June.
Rebecca O'Connell,	West Ward,	June.
Mary J. Hills,	Hamilton,	September.
Carrie L. Mason,	Lincoln,	October.
Blanche Burnham,	Lincoln,	October.
Louise Townsend,	Lincoln,	November.
Clara H. Monroe,	H. M. Warren,	November.
Mary W. Cross,	Lincoln,	January.

Elections :

Jeannette S. Wendell,	High,	September.
Emilie E. Emerson,	High,	September.
Jessie D. Pierson,	High,	September.
Ethel G. Britton,	Lincoln,	September.
Elizabeth Gardner,	Hamilton.	September.
Sallie Gardner,	West Ward,	September.
Elvah M. Hayes,	North Ward,	September.
Mary W. Cross,	H. M. Warren,	September.
Grace M. Atherton,	Lincoln,	November.

Mary W. Kirk,	H. M. Warren,	November.
Nora P. Nason,	H. M. Warren,	December.
Elizabeth B. Fuller,	Lincoln,	January.
Antonnette V. Pond,	Lincoln,	January.
Mary L. Wilson,	Teacher of Sewing,	January.
C. Edward McKinney,	Teacher of Manual Training,	January.

More changes than usual have occurred in the corps of teachers for the past year; and persistent efforts have been made to secure the strongest candidates possible for the vacancies. Fitness for the work and successful experience have been the deciding factors in all selections. But we are constantly in competition with other towns and cities that can offer greater inducements than Wakefield, and it is not always possible to secure the teacher who seems entirely adapted to a particular grade.

When an excellent teacher resigns an interruption to the work cannot be avoided, and more or less time must elapse before the succeeding teacher can go on with the work as successfully as could be wished.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

At the last session of the General Court the school laws were revised and amended considerably relative to school attendance and truancy. Their publication in a school report will afford an opportunity for all whom they may concern to read and discuss them, and extracts may be found in the appendix of this report. Your attention is called to these laws, especially Sections 12 and 13. It will be seen that the State compels regular attendance at school, either in a public or private school approved by school authorities, of all children between the ages of seven and fourteen years. If the failure to attend is on account of truancy or disobedience on the part of the child the law provides that the State shall compel his attendance at a

parental school. If the parent is at fault, he becomes liable to prosecution and fine.

Those best acquainted with our schools have frequently expressed an opinion that there is too much truancy among the school children. It is not an uncommon thing to see boys loitering on the streets and around the railroad stations during school hours. Their place during such hours is in the school rooms, and any one employing them during school hours is liable to prosecution and fine.

With the present arrangements of truant officers it is occasionally difficult to get such truants into school on the day of their truancy. The present truant officers frequently have imperative duties which they cannot set aside to look up truants. In this expression I have no fault to find with the present or past officers; the conditions are simply such that they frequently cannot attend to their duties as truant officers as promptly as they desire and as the case demands. If there were a day patrolman who could be appointed a truant officer, and he could be called upon at any time it would probably be as satisfactory an arrangement as could be made. Sections 28 and 34 in the appendix marks a direct bearing on the duties and power of the truant officers.

MANUAL TRAINING.

Recently there has been a strong and growing sentiment and some state legislation in favor of manual training in public schools. Agitation of the subject and more definite information about plans and methods have convinced many of the doubting. The warm approval of practical business men and the active sympathy of mothers who favor instruction in sewing for the girls have indicated that the time is opportune for the making of a beginning in sloyd work and sewing.

At the regular school committee meeting bearing date Nov. 18, a sub-committee on manual training was appointed

consisting of Mr. Thayer, Mr. Daniels and Mrs. Carlisle, and it was voted that sloyd work be introduced for boys into grades VII, VIII, and IX, and sewing for girls into grades V, VI, VII, and VIII. The instruction in sewing began Jan. 2, 1899, in charge of Miss Mary L. Wilson of Salem, who has had a successful experience and special instruction in the department in a teachers' sewing school in Brookline. For several reasons, chief of which was to secure the best benches at a minimum cost, instruction in the sloyd work has just begun. C. Edward McKinney, Jr., has been elected instructor of this branch. The manual training room is in the basement of the Lincoln school.

It is believed that the time and money spent in this work will not fail to give satisfactory returns and you are cordially invited to interest yourself in this department and see what progress may be made in it.

Last March the high school alumni prizes of \$10 and \$5 for excellence in historical essay work were awarded to Miss Maude Lawton and Miss Marion E. Kernan. A prize of \$5 for excellence in composition has been offered by Mr. A. H. Thayer. The subject is, "The Old Middlesex Canal."

At this time I want to express my thanks to every member of the school committee for very cordial consideration during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. HUSSEY,
Superintendent of Schools.

Wakefield High School—Graduating Exercises.

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 1898, 8 P. M.

PROGRAMME.

OVERTURE,

ORCHESTRA.

CHORUS—"Revel of the Leaves," *Veazie*

SALUTATORY AND ESSAY—"Beauty in the World of Matter."

IDABELLE FLORENCE BAXTER.

CHORUS—"Glorious is Thy Name," *Mozart*DECLAMATION—"Touissant L'Ouverture's Place among
Men." *Phillips*

JOHN FRANCIS WHITE.

ORATION—"The Future Policy of the United States."

STANLEY ALEX DEARBORN.

SEMI-CHORUS—*a.* "Voices of the Woods," *Rubinstein**b.* "Water Lilies," *Linders*

HONOR ESSAY—"Our Flag,"

ALICE MAUDE LAWTON.

ORATION—"The Municipal Ownership of Natural Monopolies."

JOHN JOSEPH BUTLER.

CHORUS—"The Lord is Great," *Mendelssohn*RECITATION—"The Birds of Killingworth *Longfellow*

AGNES ANDERSON.

CHORUS—"Wiegenlied," *J. Frank*

VALEDICTORY AND ESSAY—"A Place in the World."

CATHERINE MAY MAGEE.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.

CHARLES H. HOWE.

CLASS ODE, Written by MARION E. KERNAN

BENEDICTION.

REV. S. G. DUNHAM.

MOTTO—"Forward."

GRADUATES.

ENGLISH COURSE.

Herman K. C. de Anguera,	William John Dinan,
Idabelle Florence Baxter,	Daniel Edward Harrington,
Clara Mabelle Cheney,	Maybell Adelaide Kernan,
Thomas Francis Collins,	Catherine May Magee,
Daniel Henry Regan.	

CLASSICAL COURSE.

Agnes Anderson,	Marion Elaine Kernan,
Jacob Burley,	Alice Maude Lawton,
John Joseph Butler,	James George Reardon,
Merrill Edwin Champion,	Frank Walter Wheeler,
Stanley Alex Dearborn,	John Francis White,
Charles Alex. Woodward.	

CLASS ODE.

WRITTEN BY MARION E. KERNAN.

Kind loving teachers, schoolmates dear,
 The time for parting now is here.
 We've spent together four short years,
 We've shared each others' joys and fears.

We've reached the parting of the ways.
 Look "Forward" now to future days,
 And let us bravely face the world,
 This motto round our hearts enfurled.

May this our earthly record be,
 That when from school day tasks set free,
 With courage firm and faces bright,
 We forward march to guard the right.

While sadness fills each youthful breast,
 To each and all, at Fate's behest,
 To those who've been so kind and true,
 To each and all, we say adieu.

HIGH SCHOOL STATISTICS, FEB. 1,	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
Whole number of different pupils during year,	173	177	192	221	223	246
Largest number at one time,	135	137	149	171	174	204
Number not enrolled in any other school in town during year,	127	131	133	148	169	176
Number graduated,	24	10	20	26	16	30
Average age of Senior Class at graduation, years,				19	18 $\frac{11}{12}$	19
Number admitted during year,	56	54	66	82	59	87
Number from advanced grammar school,	46	50	59	73	53	71
Number admitted from other schools,	10	4	7	9	6	16
Number from Lynnfield,	8	5	12	13	11	16
Membership, February,	127	124	142	165	160	196
Pupils over 15 years old,	102	121	129	146	138	170
Number in Classical Course,	65	61	63	90	105	114
Number in English Course,	62	63	78	75	55	82
Senior Class, Feb. 1,	9	21	26	16	20	30
Senior Class, when entered,	17	54	48	53	51	62
Junior Class, Feb. 1,	30	29	20	22	31	45
Junior Class, when entered,	54	48	53	51	62	78
Second Year Class, Feb. 1,	36	27	35	46	57	44
Second Year Class, when entered,	48	53	51	62	78	57
First Year Class, Feb. 1,	50	46	60	76	52	77
First Year Class, when entered,	53	51	62	78	57	84
Average membership of year,	120.64	124.66	139	148.3	160	175.1
Average attendance of year,	114.58	119.94	126.7	142.7	154.7	168.5
Per cent. of attendance,	94.97	96.21	96.7	96.2	96.7	96.2

GRADUATES FROM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Barstow, Roy
Earle, Edward T.
Edmond, Robert
Foster, Harry E.
Gooch, Joseph
Kenney, George
McLain, Guy
Merrill, Morrison
O'Connell, Jerry
Potter, George E.
Swanson, Bruce G.
Bartley, Bessie S.
Brown, Annie
Butler, Mary
Childs, Fannie
Conners, Julia
Crean, Nellie
Deadman, Alice M.
Donovan, Mary
Fletcher Ella M.
Golladay, Ruth
Goodhue, Harriet

Gowen, Ruth
Hamilton, Lucy
Hamilton, Ruth
Harnden, Ida A.
Hawes, Stella B.
Healey, Isabelle
Jackson, Ethel A.
Lee, Ruth
Low, Mary
Lucas, Izannah
Myers, Ethel C.
Parks, Edna E.
Pendergrace, Nina
Preston, Alice G.
Pulsifer, Irma E.
Ridlon, Ethel P.
Ronan, Veronica
Ryan, Alice
Spaulding, Gretchen
Sullivan, Ella
Tay, Emilita F.

TABLE OF GENERAL STATISTICS.

GRADE.	TEACHERS.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Average per cent. of Attendance.	Pupils over 15 years.	Pupils between 8 and 14.	Total Half Days' Absence.	No. Cases of Tardiness.	No. Cases of Truancy.
High, Lincoln IX,	Charles H. Howe,	176	175.1	168.5	96.2	197	2	1,315	260	1
" VIII, IX,	Mrs. M. E. Wentworth,	46	44.9	42.7	95.1	13	33	886	142	0
" VIII,	Miss E. F. Ingram,	50	42.1	39.4	93.6	12	38	1,113	230	0
" VII,	Misses Louise Townsend and E. Fuller,	42	41.2	38.7	93.9	0	42	1,030	190	3
" VII,	Miss Eleanor F. Emerson,	43	42.1	39.6	94.1	0	43	1,006	74	1
" VI,	" Susan M. Hosmer,	44	41.6	38.3	92.1	0	44	1,302	130	0
" V,	Misses B. G. Pierce and M. G. Atherton,	30	40.	37.	92.5	0	30	1,293	235	4
" V,	Misses C. S. Mason and B. G. Pierce,	55	38.7	36.7	94.8	0	55	808	100	7
" V,	Misses G. M. Demison and E. G. Britton,	41	35.2	32.	90.9	0	41	1,301	150	4
" IV,	Miss Fannie A. Carter,	49	46.6	43.7	93.8	0	49	1,199	157	0
" III,	" L. J. Mausfield,	49	47.	43.7	93.1	0	49	1,304	245	5
" II,	" L. I. Wood,	57	54.7	50.9	93.	0	30	1,397	163	2
" I,	" E. I. Marshall,	79	47.7	43.8	92.	0	7	1,559	312	0
" I,	" Jennie L. Carter,	61	35.4	31.5	89.	0	0	1,560	495	0
II, M. Warren IX,	" M. A. Warren,	3	34.2	32.8	95.9	2	1	297	24	0
" " VIII,	" C. E. Emerson,	45	39.1	37.4	95.7	3	33	735	96	0
" " V, VI,	Misses M. W. Gross and M. E. Kirk,	35	39.4	37.3	94.	1	30	933	123	0
" " III, IV,	" C. H. Munroe and M. Kalaher,	47	41.6	38.8	93.3	0	47	1,144	99	1
" " I, II,	" M. Kalaher and N. P. Nason,	44	36.4	33.8	92.6	0	44	1,046	117	2
Greenwood VI, VII, VIII,	Miss Alice J. Kernan,	65	44.	40.	91.	0	20	1,521	262	0
" IV, V,	" S. E. Wilkins,	33	30.9	29.2	94.6	5	19	661	197	1
" I, II,	" L. M. McCormick,	41	40.4	38.5	95.3	0	32	753	271	0
" " I, II,	" M. J. Hawkins,	56	40.6	37.8	93.2	0	53	1,021	222	12
Hamilton VI,	" A. E. Batch,	83	48.7	43.7	89.8	0	12	1,965	268	7
" V,	" S. M. Aldrich,	42	36.3	34.	93.7	2	40	905	131	5
" III, IV,	Misses M. J. Hills and E. Gardner,	42	37.5	35.5	94.7	0	42	782	186	6
" I, II,	Miss M. E. Kelly,	43	39.2	37.1	94.3	1	36	884	207	4
Franklin III, IV,	" E. E. Howlett,	68	43.3	40.2	92.8	0	8	1,256	198	2
" " I, II,	" M. L. Whitney,	42	42.4	39.8	93.9	0	21	1,030	141	3
" " I,	" K. L. Kelley,	69	32.5	29.9	92.2	0	28	1,026	254	1
Woodville IV, V, VI,	" I. F. Boone,	78	45.6	40.8	89.5	0	1	1,910	149	0
" I, II, III,	" E. C. Bateman,	54	36.3	32.	87.	0	32	1,904	233	0
West I, II, III,	" F. E. Elliot, Asst.,	46	39.2	32.7	83.	0	17	1,283	136	0
North III, IV, V,	Misses R. M. O'Connell and S. E. Gardner, ..	47	28.8	26.7	92.7	0	21	1,158	213	0
" I, II,	Miss A. L. Berry,	63	50.8	45.7	90.	0	21	1,995	125	0
Montrose IV, V, VI,	" E. M. Hayes, Asst.,	45	36.4	34.2	93.6	0	45	1,017	200	0
" I, II, III,	" H. G. Elliot,	60	41.6	37.4	89.7	0	8	1,523	189	2
High IX,	" L. E. Blanch,	26	24.3	23.5	96.7	16	10	84	71	1
	" M. P. Wall,									
		1,999	1,661.8	1,545.3	92.7	222	1,084	43,996	6,995	80

CORPS OF TEACHERS,

With Salary, Year of Election, Grade, and Where Educated.

NAME.	Salary.	Date of first elect'n.	Grade.	Where educated.
High School, Common St.				
Charles H. Howe,	\$1,950	1895	Principal,	Dartmouth College.
Helen W. Poor,	800	1896	First assistant,	Radcliffe College.
Jeannette S. Wendell,	700	1898	Assistant,	
Emilie E. Emerson,	600	1898	"	Boston University.
Jessie D. Pierson,	600	1898	"	Vassar College.
Clara A. Barnes,	650	1897	"	Vassar College.
Mabel P. Wall,	600	1897	"	Wellesley College.
Lincoln School, Crescent Street.				
M. E. Wentworth,	900	1871	Principal,	Berwick Academy.
Ethel G. Britton,	450	1898		Boston University.
Elizabeth F. Ingram,	600	1881	Eighth and ninth,	Smith College.
Elizabeth B. Fuller,	475	1898	Eighth,	Bridgewater Normal.
Eleanor F. Emerson,	500	1887	Seventh,	Salem Normal.
Susan M. Hosmer,	500	1895	Seventh,	Framingham Normal.
Bessie G. Pierce,	450	1896	Fifth,	Wellesley College.
Mary G. Atherton,	450	1898		Boston University.
Fannie E. Carter,	500	1886	Fourth,	Millbury High School.
L. Josephine Mansfield,	450	1875	Third,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
L. Isadore Wood,	400	1896	Second,	Quincy Training Sch'l.
Edith R. Marshall,	450	1894	First,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
Jennie L. Carter,	360	1897	First,	Millbury High School.
H. M. Warren School, Converse Street.				
M. Annie Warren,	700	1871	Principal,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
Clara E. Emerson,	550	1879	Seventh,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
Mary W. Kirk,	500	1898		Salem Normal.
Mary Kalaher,	450	1888	Eighth,	Salem Normal.
Nora P. Nason,	380	1898		Gorham Normal.
Alice J. Kernan,	450	1890	First, second, third,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
Greenwood School, Main Street.				
Sarah E. Wilkins,	600	1883	Principal,	Salem Normal.
Lila P. McCormick,	450	1891	Fifth and sixth,	Bridgewater Normal.
Mary I. Hawkins,	450	1896	Third and fourth,	Southboro High Sch'l.
Annie G. Balch,	400	1896	First and second,	Colby Academy.
Hamilton School, Albion Street.				
Sarah M. Aldrich,	525	1894	Principal,	Nichols Academy.
Elizabeth Gardner,	400	1898	Fifth,	Calais High.
Mary E. Kelley,	450	1895	Third and fourth,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
Eva E. Howlett,	475	1881	First and second,	Salem Normal.
Franklin School, Franklin Street.				
M. L. Whitney,	450	1894	Third and fourth,	Gorham Normal.
Katharine L. Kelley,	380	1894	Second,	Salem Normal.
Irene F. Boone,	400	1896	First,	Woburn High.
Woodville School, Farm Street.				
Emma C. Bateman,	400	1893	First to sixth,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
Flora E. Elliott,	300	1897	Assistant,	Wakefield High Sch'l.
West Ward School, Pros- pect Street.				
Sallie Gardner,	400	1898		
North Ward School, Cor- dis Street.				
Agnes L. Berry,	425	1896	First to fourth,	Quincy Training.
Edith M. Hayes,	300	1898	Assistant,	Farmington High Sch.

CORPS OF TEACHERS — *Continued.*

NAME.	Salary.	Date of first elect'n.	Grade.	Where educated.
East Ward School, Salem Street.				
H. Gertrude Elliott,	380	1897	Fourth to sixth,	Melrose High School.
Luella E. Blanch,	400	1896	First to third,	NewBrunsw'k Normal.
Special Instructors.				
George F. Wilson,	750	1876	Supervisor of music,	Boston Conserv. Music.
Annie B. Parker,	500	1893	“ drawing,	Prang Normal Course.
Lieut. Charles E. Walton,	100	1897	Military instructor,	Co.A, 6th Reg't M.V.M.

	Janitors.	Residence.	Salary.
High School,	Geo. O. Russell,	14 Church Street,	\$350
Lincoln,	Chas. E. Newman,	Park Street,	600
Hamilton, }	Edward Eaton,	30 Park Street,	500
Warren, }	Thomas Thrush,	32 Franklin Street,	125
Franklin,	T. L. Ringer,	Greenwood Avenue,	200
Greenwood,	L. P. Hooper,	Nahant Street,	80
Woodville,	Maurice Hurley,	Lowell Street,	80
Montrose,	B. F. Shedd,	25 Cordis Street,	40
North Ward,	A. W. Ventress,	1 Salem Street,	40
West Ward,			

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAWS, 1898.

CHAPTER 496.

An Act Relative to School Attendance and Truancy.

SECTION 1. Every town and city shall maintain for at least thirty-two weeks in the year a sufficient number of schools for the instruction of all the children who may legally attend a public school therein. Such schools shall be taught by teachers of competent ability and good morals, and shall give instruction in orthography, reading, writing, the English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, drawing, the history of the United States, physiology and hygiene, including special instruction as to the effect of alcoholic drinks and of stimulants and narcotics on the human system, and good behavior. Bookkeeping, algebra, geometry, one or more foreign languages, the elements of the natural sciences, kindergarten training, manual training, agriculture, sewing, cooking, vocal music, physical training, civil government, ethics, and such other subjects as the school committee deem expedient, may be taught in the public schools.

SECT. 2. Every city and every town of five hundred families or householders according to the latest public census taken by the authority either of the Commonwealth or of the United States shall, and any other town may, maintain a high school, adequately equipped, to be kept by a principal and such assistants as may be needed, of competent ability, and good morals, who shall give instruction in such subjects designated in section one as it may be deemed expedient to teach in the high school, and in such additional subjects as may be required for the general purpose of training and culture, as well as for the special purpose of pre-

paring pupils for admission to state normal schools, technical schools, and colleges. Such high school shall maintain one or more courses of study, at least four years in length, and shall be kept for the benefit of all the inhabitants of the town or city, forty weeks at least, exclusive of vacations, in each year. A town may, if it chooses, meet only a portion of the foregoing requirements in its own high school: *provided*, that it shall make adequate provisions for meeting the rest of said requirements in the high school of another town or any city.

SECT. 4. Every town and city of twenty thousand or more inhabitants shall maintain as part of both its elementary and its high school system the teaching of manual training.

SECT. 7. Every child shall have the right to attend the public schools in the town or city in which his parent or guardian has a legal residence, or in which the child himself actually resides, subject to such reasonable regulations as to the numbers and qualifications of pupils to be admitted to the respective schools, and as to other school matters, as the school committee shall from time to time prescribe. No child shall be excluded from a public school of any town or city on account of race, color or religion.

SECT. 9. The parent, guardian or custodian of any child who is refused admission to or excluded from the public schools shall on application therefor be furnished by the school committee with a statement in writing of the grounds and reasons for the exclusion; and after a statement has been so furnished a child thus refused admission to or excluded from said schools may, by his guardian or next friend, bring an action of tort and recover damages for any unlawful exclusion, against said town, or city, and may by interrogatories filed in the case examine any member of the school committee or any other officer of the defendant town or city, as if he were a party to the suit.

SECT. 10. Any child, with the consent first obtained of the school committee of the town or city in which such child resides, may attend, at the expense of said town or city, the public schools of another town or city, upon such terms as may be satisfactory to the school committees of the towns or cities in interest.

SECT. 11. No child who has not been duly vaccinated shall be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certifi-

cate signed by a regular practising physician that such child is an unfit subject for vaccination. No child who is a member of a household in which a person is sick with small pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, or measles, or of a household exposed to contagion from a household as aforesaid, shall attend any public school during such sickness or until the teacher of the school has been furnished with a certificate from the board of health of the town or city, or from the attending physician of such sick person, stating in a case of small pox, diphtheria, or scarlet fever, that a period of at least two weeks, and in a case of measles a period of at least three days has lapsed since the recovery, removal or death of such person, and that danger of the conveying of such disease by such child has passed.

SECT. 12. Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day-school in the town or city in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session, subject to such exceptions as to children, places of attendance and schools as are provided for in section three, seven, ten, and eleven of this act; *provided*, that the superintendent of schools or, where there is no superintendent of schools, the school committee, or teachers acting under authority of said superintendent of schools or school committee, may excuse cases of necessary absence; and *provided, further*, that the attendance of a child upon a public day-school shall not be required if such child has attended for a like period of time a private day-school approved by the school committee of such town or city in accordance with section two of chapter four hundred and ninety-eight of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four, or if such child has been otherwise instructed for a like period of time in the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or has already acquired the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, if his physical or mental condition is such as to render such attendance inexpedient or impracticable. Every person having under his control a child as described in this section shall cause such child to attend school as required by this section.

SECT. 16. The school committees of all towns and cities shall annually ascertain and record the names, ages, and such other

information as may be designated by the state board of education, of all persons between five and fifteen years of age, and of all minors over fourteen years of age who cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language, residing in their respective towns and cities on the first day of September, and such record shall be completed on or before the first day of October. The first census under the provisions of this section shall be taken in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-nine. Whoever has under his control a minor over five years of age and withholds information in his possession sought by a school committee or its agents relating to the items required to be ascertained by this section, or falsifies in regard to the same, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

SECT. 18. School committees shall cause the school registers to be faithfully kept in all the public schools of their respective towns and cities, and shall annually, on or before the last day of April, make returns on the aforesaid forms of inquiry to the secretary of the state board of education; and school committees of towns shall specify in said returns the purposes to which the money received by their respective towns from the income of the school fund has been appropriated; in such return twenty days or forty half days of actual session shall be counted as one month.

SECT. 19. The several school teachers shall faithfully keep the registers of attendance daily, and make due return thereof to the school committee or to such person as such committee may designate. No teacher of a public school shall receive payment for services for the two weeks preceeding the close of any single term until the register, properly filled up and completed, is so returned. All registers shall be kept at the schools, and at all times during school hours shall be open to the inspection of the school committee, the superintendent of schools, the truant officers, and the secretary and agents of the state board of education.

SECT. 24. Every habitual truant, that is, every child between seven and fourteen years of age who wilfully and habitually absents himself from school contrary to the provisions of section twelve of this act, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, may be committed, if a boy, to a county truant

school, for a period not exceeding two years, and if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls, unless such child is placed on probation as provided in section twenty-eight of this act.

SECT. 25. Every habitual absentee, that is, every child between seven and sixteen years of age who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of any town or city of the Commonwealth, having no lawful occupation, habitually not attending school, and growing up in idleness and ignorance, upon complaint by a truant officer or any other person, and conviction thereof, may be committed, if a boy, at the discretion of the court, to a county truant school for a period not exceeding two years, or to a Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls, unless such child is placed on probation as provided in section twenty-eight of this act.

SECT. 26. Every habitual school offender, that is, every child under fourteen years of age who persistently violates the reasonable regulations of the school which he attends, or otherwise persistently misbehaves therein, so as to render himself a fit subject for exclusion therefrom, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, may be committed, if a boy, at the discretion of the court, to a county truant school for a period not exceeding two years, or to a Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls, unless such child is placed on probation as provided in section twenty-eight of this act.

SECT. 27. Any court or magistrate by whom a child is committed to a county truant school may make such order as said court or magistrate deems expedient concerning the payment by the parents of such child to the county, of the cost of the support of any such child while in said school, and may from time to time revise and alter such order, or make a new order, as the circumstances of the parent may justify.

SECT. 28. Any court or magistrate by whom a child has been convicted of an offence under this act may in his discretion place such a child on probation under the oversight of a truant officer of the town or city in which the child resides, or of a probation officer of said court, for such period and upon such conditions as said court or magistrate may deem best; and within such period,

if the child violates the conditions of his probation, such truant officer or probation officer may without warrant or other process take the child before the court, and the court may thereupon proceed to sentence or may make any other lawful disposition of the case.

SECT. 30. Any inmate of a county truant school who persistently violates the reasonable regulations of said school, or is guilty of indecent or immoral conduct, or otherwise grossly misbehaves, so as to render himself an unfit subject for retention therein, upon complaint by the county commissioners in control of said school, and conviction thereof, may be committed by the court, if a boy under fifteen years of age, to the Lyman school for boys; if a boy over fifteen years of age, to the Massachusetts reformatory at Concord. The period of commitment to said institutions shall be determined by the laws and regulations governing commitments thereto.

SECT. 31. Any person having under his control a child between seven and fourteen years of age who fails for five days' sessions or ten half-day sessions, within any period of six months while under such control, to cause such child to attend school as required by section twelve of this act, the physical and mental condition of such child not being such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than twenty dollars. Any person who induces or attempts to induce any child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or employs or harbors while school is in session any child absent unlawfully from school, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

SECT. 34. The truant officers of towns and cities shall inquire into all cases arising under sections eleven, twelve, twenty-four to twenty-six inclusive, and thirty-one of this act, and may make complaints, serve legal processes, and carry into execution, judgments thereunder. They shall perform the duties of oversight of children placed on probation as may be required of them under section twenty-eight of this act. A truant officer of any town or city may apprehend and take to school, without warrant, any truant or absentee found wandering about in the streets or public places thereof.

Approved June 2, 1898.

REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

OF THE

TOWN OF WAKEFIELD,

1898-9.

REPORT OF MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD.

The annual report of the Municipal Light Board is respectfully submitted as follows, with the manager's report attached :

The year has been marked by a satisfactory saving in the running expenses of the plant. The income from sales of gas has increased, in spite of the fact of a very material falling off in the gas consumption of Reading. A part of this gain has been made at the expense of the electric lights, the income from which has decreased slightly, due largely to the introduction of improved gas burners.

The expense of running the alternating machines cannot be arrived at until the total output is known. An instrument has been put in for the purpose, and the next report will probably contain something definite on that subject.

The board favor a small reduction in the price of gas, believing that such change will increase its use, particularly in stoves. The increased use will probably make up for the decreased price per thousand feet, in this way giving gas consumers the benefit of cheaper fuel without affecting the town's income from the gas works.

The cost of the arc lights will be found in the manager's report. We are forced to consider the depreciation charge far in excess of the actual, as the works are kept up out of the general running expenses. Five per cent., the amount required by the State, is greater than the real depreciation, and the percentage should be taken upon the value of the real property, instead of the cost price of the plant.

As we have received a number of applications for street lights, an article will be inserted in the town warrant asking for an increase in the arc lighting capacity of the works. Twenty-five enclosed arc lamps and the machinery to run them, including wires, etc., will probably cost about thirty-seven hundred dollars (\$3,700). Should these lamps be run all night, as they may be if desired, it will add about four hundred dollars (\$400) per year to the running expense.

The new lamps are of greater candle power, and should displace an equal number of open arcs in the centre of the town, the old lamps being used in the new locations, doing away with the oil lights entirely. The latter subject should be seriously considered by the town, whether they add more arc lamps or not. In inserting this article in the warrant, the board acts in an executive capacity only. With a view to using the old alternator in street lighting, we requested several standard manufacturers to submit lamps for testing purposes. We found the system more costly to install and much more costly to run than the one we have. The new system that is being put into a neighboring town is scarcely out of the experimental stage as yet, and should be given time to prove any claimed superiority.

At the beginning of October, after the retirement of Mr. Charles S. Spaulding, Mr. Charles E. White was appointed manager by the board, and it being the time when the salary is fixed for the ensuing year, it was voted to pay the manager fourteen hundred dollars, and Mr. White was informed that if he made a satisfactory saving he would receive an increase the second year should he remain in the position.

The appointment was made after an advertised examination including steam, gas, electricity, and business knowledge. The applicant passing the best examination was required to furnish references, and these proving satisfactory he was

appointed. The manager's bond was fixed at the same sum as before, two thousand dollars.

The iron part of the old holder being long past its usefulness, was cut out and the building changed at a small cost from a useless incumbrance to a good storehouse which was much needed ; a temporary sponge shed erected that will serve until the town is in position to build a permanent one ; the office enlarged by changing the partition, and a slight alteration made in the interior of the stable, demanded by sanitary considerations.

The board advises no appropriation above the income of the plant for general running expenses for the coming year, believing the plant to be nearly self-supporting. There is left over from last year's gas extension account enough for all ordinary expenses in that direction.

The electric extension account is somewhat overdrawn, and an appropriation of one thousand dollars should be made. We doubt if the account will be found overdrawn at the end of the ensuing year.

Your commissioners hope and trust that the citizens of Wakefield will continue to show the same interest in the plant in the future that they have in the past, as it is the only way to continued success in municipal ownership. The control of public necessities are a part of government and should not be subject to private gain.

BENJ. A. WYATT, *Chairman* ;

CHAS. H. SPENCER,

CURTIS L. SOPHER, M. D., *Sec'y* ;

Municipal Light Board.

MANAGER'S REPORT.

MESSRS. BENJAMIN A. WYATT, *Chairman*,
 CHARLES H. SPENCER AND CURTIS L. SOPHER, M. D.
Municipal Light Board, Wakefield, Mass. :

. GENTLEMEN:—I submit for consideration the fifth annual report of the manager of the Municipal Light Plant, for the year ending January 31st, 1899.

COST OF OPERATING PLANT.

From January 31st, 1895, to January 31st, 1898, as compiled from report of 1897-98.

FROM JANUARY 31, 1895, TO JANUARY 31, 1896.

Electric manufacturing account, expense . . .	\$11,848 06
“ “ “ income . . .	4,711 58
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Cost of operating electric department . . .	\$7,136 48
Gas manufacturing account, income, . . .	\$14,054 01
“ “ “ expense, . . .	10,320 44
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	\$3,733 57
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Cost to town, operating both gas and electric, . . .	\$3,402 91
Interest account for year	7,160 00
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Total net cost to town	\$10,562 91
Operating per lamp per year	\$23 47
Interest “ “	49 38
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Total cost per lamp per year,	\$72 85

FROM JANUARY 31, 1896, TO JANUARY 31, 1897.

Electric manufacturing account, expense	\$12,130 78
“ “ “ income	5,120 37
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Cost operating electric department	\$7,010 41
Gas manufacturing account, income	\$13,945 98
“ “ “ expense	9,585 00
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	\$4,360 98
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Cost to town, operating both gas and electric	\$2,649 43
Interest account for year	7,040 00
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Total net cost to town	\$9,689 43
Operating per lamp per year	\$18 27
Interest “ “	48 55
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Total cost	\$66 82

FROM JANUARY 31, 1897, TO JANUARY 31, 1898.

Electric manufacturing account, expense	\$11,845 17
Electric manufacturing account, income	5,517 31
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Cost operating electric dept.	\$6,327 86
Gas manufacturing account, income	\$13,530 54
Gas manufacturing account, expense	8,911 64
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	\$4,618 90
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Cost to town, operating both gas and electric	\$1,708 96
Interest account for year	\$6,920 00
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Total net cost	\$8,628 96
Operating per lamp per year	\$11 79
Interest per lamp per year	47 72
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Total cost per lamp per year	\$59 51

The total cost to the town for arc lights (145) for the past year was \$8,628 96.

Cost per lamp per year	\$59 51
“ “ “ month	4 96
“ “ “ night	0 208
“ “ “ hour	0 0429

Depreciation not taken into account.

FROM JANUARY 31, 1898, TO JANUARY 31, 1899.

Electric manufacturing account, expense	.	.	\$10,168 81
“ “ “ income	.	“	5,239 03
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Cost operating electric dept.	.	.	\$4,929 78
Gas manufacturing account, income	.	\$13,552 63	
“ “ “ expense	.	8,759 52	
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			\$4,793 11
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Cost to town, operating both gas and electric depts.			\$136 67
Interest account for the year	.	.	6,700 00
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Total net cost	.	.	\$6,836 67
Operating per lamp per year	.	.	\$ 0 94
Interest “ “	.	.	. 46 20
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Total cost	.	.	\$47 14

The total cost to the town for arc lamps (145) for the past year was \$7,086.67

Cost per lamp per year	.	.	\$47 14
“ “ “ month	.	.	3 93
“ “ “ night	.	.	0 164
“ “ “ hour	.	.	0 034

Depreciation not taken into account.

The above is submitted for comparison with previous years' operation. A further statement showing cost is made in another part of this report.

The street arc lamps have been run on all dark nights from February 1 to December 1 until 12.15 a. m., from December 1 to January 31 until 12.20 a. m., and from November 15 to March 15 from 5 a. m. to daylight. They were operated 1354½ hours or 287 nights. Moon schedule, 1,210 hours.

The incandescent lighting system has been operated 4623¾ hours.

There has not been any extension of the alternating street lines. A number of new consumers have been added to the present lines, requiring new services, transformers and meters.

There has been used in the electric plant $846\frac{1}{2}$ tons steam coal and 20 tons coal-screenings.

The sales of electricity are \$59.36 less than the year ending January 31, 1898.

Electric consumers, Jan. 31, 1898	121
“ “ added during year	28
“ “ discontinued during year	28
“ “ Jan. 31, 1899	121
“ meters in use Jan. 31, 1899	108
“ “ added during year	27
“ “ removed during year	26
“ “ changed “ “	11
“ “ in use Jan. 31, 1898	109
“ “ gain during year	1
“ incandescent lamps wired Jan 31, 1898	2702
“ “ “ added during year	531
“ “ “ disconnected during year	375
“ “ “ wired Jan. 31, 1899	2858
“ “ “ gain during year	156

The increase of the gas sales in Wakefield show a gain of 221,400 cubic feet over the year ending January, 1898.

The sales in Reading are 278,000 cubic feet less than the year ending January, 1898.

Gas manufactured during year	7,268,000 feet.
Gas accounted for “ “	6,616,000 feet.
Gas unaccounted for during year	652,000 feet.

Showing a leakage loss of 8.97 per cent.

The state gas inspector reports their inspection of the gas as follows :

	CANDLE POWER.	SULPHUR, GRAINS PER 100 FT.	AMMONIA, GRAINS PER 100 FT.
March 26,	17.8	14.5	1.
October 19,	19.7.	8.1	1.6
December 24,	17.8	2.	1.

The gas mains were extended during the year as follows :

W. Chestnut St., Wakefield Park,	5028 ft. 4-in. pipe
Park St., from Main St.,	490 ft. 4 “
Fairmount Ave., from W. Chestnut St.,	545 ft. 4 “
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Total,	6063 feet.

Gas consumers January 31, 1898	240
“ “ added during year	41
“ “ discontinued during year	18
“ “ January 31, 1899	263
“ “ gained during year	23
Gas meters in use January 31, 1898	272
“ “ set during year	56
“ “ removed during year	21
“ “ changed “ “	14
“ “ in use January 31, 1899	307
“ “ gain	35

Five retorts were replaced in the bench of fives. a temporary sponge shed erected, the old holder cut out, making, when tank is filled in, an excellent storehouse for tar. New self-sealing lids have been placed on the bench of fives.

A saving will be effected by these changes.

We have taken care of the oil lights ; the expense for doing this will be found elsewhere in the report. They have been lighted as formerly when the moon set before 9 o'clock, or did not rise before 9 o'clock in the evening.

The plant is in good condition and no serious accident has occurred.

There is an account carried on our books as required by laws of the state since the works have been operated by the town under the heading “ depreciation”.

While the amount charged off for this account is large, in fact much larger than the true valuation of the plant would warrant, yet the State Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners requires that five per cent. of the cost of the plant be charged off annually to this account.

There has been charged off a depreciation amounts as follows :

June 30, 1895	.	.	.	.	.	\$8,273.06
“ 1896	.	.	.	.	.	8,060.41
“ 1897	.	.	.	.	.	7,784.54
“ 1898	.	.	.	.	.	7,565.40
Total for 4 years,						<hr/> \$31,683.41

I refer you to pages 262-5, where this matter is shown in detail with the cost of operating each department of the plant, including every charge as required by the Gas and Electric Commissioners of the state.

All repairs to the plant are shown as items of expense in their respective accounts.

In view of the number of requests which have been made for additional arc lamps for street lighting I would suggest the installation of another arc dynamo and appliances with the lamps and outside line work as the best way to meet these demands.

GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance unexpended Feb. 1, 1898	.	\$2,102 13	
Appropriation, March 14, 1898	.	1,500 00	
		<hr/>	\$3,602 13
Income and receipts as turned over to			
town treasurer, as follows :			
Received from sales of gas . . .		\$11,302 45	
sales of electricity . . .		4,597 54	
miscellaneous sales . . .		2,018 79	
Insurance, returned premiums received,		175 80	\$18,094 58
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			\$21,696 71

EXPENDITURES.

ELECTRIC.

Real estate	\$5 47
Steam plant	18 40
Electric plant	12 78
Tools and appliances	119 96
Incandescent lamps	116 12
Jobbing	4 03
Steam coal	3,142 82
Carbons	270 06
Oil and waste	113 71
Globes	34 77
Repairs steam plant	539 81
" electric plant	38 43
" arc lamps	340 43
" electric lines	551 90
" real estate	31 01
Screenings	47 49
General salaries	1,463 31
Station wages	2,253 02
Care of arc lights	747 48
Distribution wages	49 12
Incidentals	4 85
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	\$9,904 97

GAS.

Machinery and manufacturing appliances,	\$86 13
Tools and appliances	86 71
Jobbing	214 62
Gas coal	2,745 05
Gas oil	58 14
Purifying material	4 28
Repairs gas mains	206 56
" gas meters	14 45
" at works	40 51
" benches	442 32
" real estate	130 56
General salaries	1,048 38

Station wages	1,903 69	
Distribution wages	93 78	
Coke, teaming	63 52	
Tar, barrels, etc.	13 47	
Incidentals	31 50	
	<hr/>	\$7,183 67

MISCELLANEOUS.

Office furniture and fixtures	\$4 00	
Horses and wagons	130 03	
Care of grounds	41 20	
Stable expense	294 83	
Hay and grain	149 26	
General office expense	146 89	
Postage and envelopes	102 22	
Printing and stationery	96 49	
Insurance	474 56	
Oil lights	193 01	\$1,632 49
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Total expenditures		\$18,721 13
Leaving balance unexpended, Feb. 1, '99		2,975 58
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		\$21,696 71
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APPROPRIATION EXTENSION GAS MAINS ACCOUNT.

Appropriation, Mar. 14, 1898	\$3,000 00
Expended as follows:	
Gas mains	\$2,247 54
Gas meters	140 33
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	\$2,387 87
Leaving balance unexpended Feb. 1, 1899	612 13
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	3,000 00
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APPROPRIATION EXTENSION ELECTRIC LINES ACCOUNT.

Appropriation, Mar. 14, 1898	\$500 00
Turned over to town treasurer amount	
received from reels returned	7 75
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	\$507 75

Expended as follows:

Electric lines	\$288 97	
Transformers	223 32	
Electric meters	140 04	
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		\$652 33

Leaving account overdrawn	\$144 58	
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APPROPRIATION COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES.

Appropriation April '98,	\$250 00	
Paid Commissioners Jan. '99,	250 00	
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RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES.

General appropriation account	\$18,721 13	
Appropriation extension gas mains acct.	2,387 87	
“ “ elec. lines acct.	652* 33	
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		\$21,761 33

Expended as follows:

C. H. Spencer, lumber	\$43 03	
Standard Carbon Co., carbons	248 01	
Geo. H. Taylor, hardware, etc.	50 30	
D. W. Hunt, teaming	67 38	
Geo. H. Hathaway, harness repairs	10 75	
Mansfield & Cheney, coal	1,890 17	
Cutler Bros., hay, grain, etc.	184 03	
Waldo Bros., bench repairs, etc.	484 63	
Giles & Tupper, blacksmithing	82 38	
J. M. Perley, coal, etc.	993 66	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. service	77 08	
McIntosh Bros., wagon repairs, etc.	64 80	
Liberty Oil Co., oils	158 70	
General Elec. Co., electric supplies	209 13	
Buckeye Elec. Co., incandescent lamps	97 60	
Francis Doane & Co., stationery	32 70	
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe and fittings	125 27	
M. P. Foster, printing and stationery	48 00	
Am. Gas Lt. Journal, Journal	3 00	
Edward Kendall & Sons, boiler parts	37 85	
W. K. Niver, coal	369 81	

Boston & Maine R. R. Co., freight . . .	825	84
McIntosh. Seymour & Co., engine parts . .	194	41
M. J. Curley, hay, grain, etc.	31	92
Anchor Electric Co., electric supplies . .	66	54
John Flanley, burlap, etc.	11	90
Davis & Farnum Mfg. Co., cast iron fittings	60	93
Wakefield Water Co., hydrant service . .	35	00
Russell Electric Mfg. Co., mast arms . .	50	00
Boston Gas Appliance Ex., gas stove rep.	3	00
Geo. E. Adams, waste	17	98
John Power, bungs	1	55
Chas. F. Hartshorne & Sons, insurance . .	171	65
Geo. E. Smith, carpentering	2	36
A. W. Brownell, printing and stationery . .	16	00
A. B. Woodman, horseshoeing, etc. . . .	24	40
E. I. Purrington, machinist work	13	81
Nath'l Tufts Meter Co., gas meters . . .	148	70
Simplex Electric Co., wire, etc.	103	70
S. M. Spencer & Son, rubber stamps . . .	1	79
Ft. Wayne Electric Co., electric meters . .	130	30
Stanley Electric Mfg. Co., transformers . .	260	50
Chandler, Farquahar & Co., hardware . .	1	83
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe, fittings, etc. . .	54	39
F. E. Fitts Mfg. & Supply Co., steam sup.	7	88
Chester W. Eaton, map	5	00
A. D. Oxley, wood work	5	25
Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Co., mach. wk.	23	85
Akron Iron & Steel Co., pulleys	12	78
Smith & Anthony, castings	2	13
Samuel Appleton, insurance	27	91
R. D. Wood & Co., cast iron pipe	933	72
Thos. Groom, stationery	1	00
J. S. Jeffrey, Agt., water freight and dis- charging on coal	446	16
Westmoreland Coal Co., gas coal	1438	13
Geo. W. Killorin, blasting, etc.	32	60
Sederquest & Wanamake, wagon repairs . .	29	63
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., valves	14	66

S. F. Littlefield & Co., fuse . . .	1 88
American Carbon Co., carbon . . .	8 65
Jenkins Bros., valves, etc. . . .	4 61
Jas. J. Shannon, typewriting . . .	2 50
Globe News Co., advertising . . .	5 55
Wakefield Daily Item, advertising . . .	1 50
Carter, Carter & Meigs, chemicals . . .	3 53
Boston Herald, advertising . . .	1 25
Merritt Stevens, carpentering . . .	45 39
Morton Iron Works, retort lids . . .	85 00
De Lery Light Co., De Lery lights . . .	2 00
C. S. Knowles, sharpening tools . . .	1 50
Cotton & Woolen Mfg. Mutual Insurance Co.	240 00
J. Roughan, discharging on coal . . .	51 28
J. J. Murray, globes	9 00
A. W. Chesterton, steam supplies . . .	15 32
Ft. Wayne Lamp Co., incandescent lamps	16 10
John Toomey, screenings	8 55
Thos. Hickey, postage and envelopes . . .	21 20
Petty cash, postage, envelopes, freight and expressing	274 97
	<hr/> \$11,287 26

PAY ROLL.

Charles S. Spaulding, manager, \$1,800 yr.	\$1,245 00
Charles E. White, manager, \$1,400 yr.	418 09
Fred A. Swain, clerk, \$75 mo.	848 60
W. E. Oakes, engineer, \$3 00 day	628 50
Jas. L. Freelove, electrician, 2 50 "	294 50
Pat'kMcLaughlin, gas foreman 3 00 "	1,083 00
Daniel Maher, stoker, 2 00 "	722 00
Daniel Sheehy, stoker, 2 00 "	36 00
Patrick Desmond, stoker, 2 00 "	700 00
Jacob Boesch, engineer, 3 00 "	438 00
Julius Simon, elec. & lineman, 2 75 "	157 75
W. E. Hagan, " " 3 00 "	751 50
Paul E. Lane, trimmer & pat. 2 00 "	722 00
Louis F. Low, " " 2 00 "	183 75
Geo. D. McIntyre, fireman, 2 00 "	60 00

James Griffin, gen. helper,	2 00 day,	722 00
Alvin L. Vannah, st. foreman,	2 25 "	58 50
John Carter, mason,	45c per hour	16 65
Andrew A. Magee, laborer,	20c. per hour	1 00
J. J. Maloney	" " .	84 00
Patrick Keife	" " .	50 30
Jas. Regan	" " .	66 20
Dennis O'Connell	" " .	4 10
Wm. Hennessey	" " .	30
Martin Glynn	" " .	29 00
Patrick Harney	" " .	3 60
Michael Curran	" " .	1 50
Arthur Johnson	" " .	4 00
Horace Hale	" " .	38 10
David Sliney	" " .	12 00
John McNally	" " .	152 00
John Curran	" " .	207 50
Frank Kelly	" " .	44 30
John Finn	" " .	12 30
Wm. Smith	" " .	1 00
J. J. Cronin	" " .	110 23
Patrick Dugan	" " .	2 30
Michael Hurton	" " .	47 10
Jolin Sliney	" " .	61 60
Wm. Hickey	" " .	10 50
Edmund P. Talbot	" " .	34 50
Eugene Rogers	" " .	5 00
Henry Logan	" " .	37 40
John Murphy	" " .	41 00
Michael O'Connell	" " .	1 00
Patrick Muse	" " .	43 40
Thos. Curran	" " .	52 80
Michael Welch	" " .	8 00
Geo. Manders	" " .	19 30
Phillip Duffy	" " .	8 00
Michael Lynch	" " .	29 30
Matthew Donahue	" " .	35 30
Fred Frotton	" " .	44 30

Peter Peterson	laborer, 20c per hour	.	7	10	
Patrick Sullivan	"	"	6	30	
Wm. Ahern	"	"	17	30	
Henry Logan	"	"	12	00	
Daniel Barrett	"	"	2	00	
Patrick Walsh	"	"	9	40	
Joseph Collett	"	"	13	80	
Arthur Muse	"	"	7	00	
Wm. Scanlan	"	"		90	
Patrick Cronin	"	"	1	40	
Jas. Talbot	"	"	1	20	
Thos. Conley	"	"	7	60	
					<hr/> \$10,474 07
					<hr/> \$21,761 33
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ELECTRIC.

RECEIPTS.

From sale of electricity	.	.	.	\$4,481	04
sale of steam to gas dept.	.	.	.	600	00
sale of incandescent lamps	.	.	.	63	09
inventory	"	"	.	82	45
sales---electric jobbing	.	.	.	12	45
					<hr/> \$5,239 03

EXPENSES.

Steam coal	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,751	92
Screenings	.	.	.	.	.	48	94
Carbons	.	.	.	.	.	282	23
Oil and waste	.	.	.	.	.	112	65
Globes	.	.	.	.	.	54	63
Repairs, steam plant	.	.	.	.	.	543	05
" electric plant	.	.	.	.	.	48	12
" arc lamps	.	.	.	.	.	386	46
" electric lines	.	.	.	.	.	491	23
" real estate	.	.	.	.	.	31	01
Tools and appliances	.	.	.	.	.	59	86
Incidentals	.	.	.	.	.	15	90

General salaries	1,463 31
Station wages	2,253 02
Distribution wages	43 58
Care of arc lights	747 48
Care of grounds	20 60
Stable expenses	310 79
General office expenses	173 70
Insurance	143 64
Incandescent lamps	171 56
Jobbing	15 13
	<hr/> \$10,168 81

. Leaving a loss in the operating account of \$4,929 78

To which is to be added the following items:

Commissioners' salaries	\$125 00
*Interest on bonds	3,393 55
*Depreciation	3,832 24

Leaving as the total cost of street lighting \$12,280 57

Following is the cost per arc lamp for the year ending January 31, 1899:

Manufacturing, including commissioners'

salaries	\$34 86
Interest	23 40
Depreciation	26 43
	<hr/> \$84 69

*Interest and depreciation, here stated, are the same per cent. of total interest and depreciation as electric plant is of the total combined plant, as shown by the books.

GAS.

RECEIPTS.

For gas sold by meter	\$12,473 60
less discounts	1,134 22
	<hr/> \$11,339 38
From sales of coke	723 94
inventory of coke	97 50
sales of tar	683 24
inventory of tar	274 90
sales—gas jobbing	347 44
inventory—gas jobbing	51 23
guarantee on gas main extensions	35 00
	<hr/> \$13,552 63

EXPENSES.

Coal	\$2,868 36
Steam from electric dept.	600 00
Gas oil	64 38
Purifying	24 68
Repairs gas mains	207 86
“ gas meters	14 45
“ at works	42 98
“ benches	447 72
“ real estate	130 56
Tools and appliances	61 36
Incidentals	43 68
General salaries	1,048 38
Station wages	1,903 69
Distribution wages	93 78
Care of grounds	20 60
Stable expenses	155 39
General office expenses	173 70
Insurance	143 64
Jobbing.	319 32
Coke	113 52
Tar	281 47
	<hr/> \$8,759 52
Leaving a profit of	\$4,793 11

We have charged: commissioners' salaries . . .	\$125 00
*interest on bonds . . .	3,306 45
*depreciation (at 5 per cent.) . . .	3,733 16

Making a total of \$7,164 61

From which should be deducted:

Profit on operations 4,793 11

Leaving a net loss \$2,371 50

Following is the cost of gas per thousand cubic feet at the consumer's meter:

Manufacturing, including commissioners'

salaries,	\$1 03	
Interest	50	
Depreciation,	56	
		\$2 09

OIL LIGHTS.

EXPENSES.

Inventory, Jan. 31, 1898	\$13 27	
Labor	152 46	
Stable expenses	155 40	
Kerosene oil	27 15	
Chimneys	10 60	
Burners	1 00	
Matches	1 20	
Wicks	60	
		\$361 68

CREDITS.

For empty barrels returned	\$2 79	
kerosene oil used at gas mains	1 95	
kerosene oil used in boilers	1 28	
kerosene oil used at works	38	
inventory, Jan. 31, 1899	11 10	
		\$17 50

Leaving as a total cost for oil lights \$344 18

*Interest and depreciation, here stated, are the same per cent. of total interest and depreciation as gas plant is of the total combined plant, as shown by the books.

ASSETS.

Real estate, gas	\$14,529 92
Machinery and manufacturing appliances, gas	31,584 39
Gas mains	22,123 76
Gas meters and connections	3,067 42
Tools, gas (inventory)	453 26
Real estate, electric	14,097 80
Steam plant	17,120 48
Electric plant	12,656 64
Electric lines	20,766 34
Arc lamps	3,639 86
Transformers	2,980 01
Electric meters	1,824 45
Tools, electric, (inventory)	508 29
Office furniture and fixtures "	225 15
Horses and wagons "	455 25
Gas coal "	635 33
Gas oil "	4 50
Gas stoves "	38 50
Coke "	97 50
Tar "	274 90
Jobbing material, gas "	51 23
Other material, gas "	11 20
Steam coal "	532 40
Screenings "	3 94
Carbons "	73 58
Oil and waste "	34 50
Globes "	6 00
Incandescent lamps "	82 45
Other material, electric "	209 89
Oil lights, material "	11 10
Insurance, unexpired "	387 57
Hay and grain "	12 10
Due from electric consumers	740 98
Due from gas consumers	1,684 26
Other accounts due	232 65

Cash on hand as follows :

At town treasury,

Balance general appropriation \$2,975 58

Bal. extension gas mains appro'n, 612 13		
“ from bonds not yet appropriated,	213 15	
Cash at works	17 07	
	<hr/>	3,817 93
Less amount overdrawn on extension electric lines appropriation,	144 58	
	<hr/>	\$3,673 35
To balance		34,034 25
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		\$188,865 20

LIABILITIES.

Bonds outstanding	\$168,000 00
Interest accrued, not yet due	2,240 00
Guarantee deposits	125 20
*Appropriation for bond payments	12,000 00
*Appropriation for gas main extensions	5,000 00
*Appropriations for electric lines extensions	1,500 00
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	\$188,865 20

LIST OF UNPAID BILLS, JANUARY 31, 1899.

Davis & Farnum Mfg. Co.	75
Washington Carbon Co.	8 75
C. H. Spencer	90
Standard Thermometer & Electric Co.	75
M. J. Curley	19 50
Geo. H. Hathaway	2 90
Geo. H. Taylor	1 76
Cutler Bros.	15 84
A. B. Woodman	4 50
J. M. Perley	6 39
New Eng. Tel. and Tel. Co.	3 05
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	\$65 09

Respectfully yours,

CHAS. E. WHITE, *Manager.*

FEBRUARY 15, 1899.

* While the above appropriation accounts are not strictly liabilities in the ordinary acceptance of the term, they belong in any proper system of accounting upon the same side of the ledger as bonds outstanding and are for convenience grouped with them under the same designation.

AUDITORS' FINAL STATEMENT.

The Board of Auditors herewith present to the town their report for the fiscal year ending February 1, 1899 :

From March 17, 1898, to January 31, 1899, the selectmen have drawn 2,153 orders on the Treasurer, representing \$138,382.40. We have examined the vouchers for these payments and have also verified the arithmetic of all bills coming before the Board of Selectmen for payment during the year, and our report upon them will be found arranged in the departments to which they belong.

Our final balance sheet shows a total expenditure of \$155,-637.63, which includes \$14,496.18 disbursed directly by the Treasurer for Town Debt and Interest, Library and Reading Room payments.

We have verified the receipts of such departments as pay money to the Treasurer; we have examined the books of the Collector of Taxes, and of T. J. Skinner, Treasurer of the Library and Reading Room, and find them correct. We have also examined the accounts of Mr. Skinner as Town Treasurer, and find them correct, with the proper vouchers for all receipts and payments; and that he has a cash balance of \$2,533.30 in the National Bank of South Reading.

We also certify that he has securities and deposits representing the C. Sweetser Lecture Fund, Burial Lot Funds, Library Funds, Flint Soldiers' Monument and Old Cemetery Funds, and Nichols Temperance Fund.

The Municipal Light Plant have employed the services of Charles M. Hill, public accountant, of Boston, who performed the work last year, and he has made a thorough examination of the books of the light plant which, together with the examination of

receipts and expenditures, made by the Auditors, enables us to state that the finances of the town in this direction are well looked after.

The unexpended balances, as seen by our final balance sheet, of New North Ward School House, New Salem Street, Crystal Street, Municipal Light Plant, Extension Gas Mains and Bennett Street are available for next year, being on account of unfinished contracts.

In our report of the expenditures of the various appropriations we have itemized as far as time and space will allow.

Any citizen of the town of Wakefield desirous of obtaining any closer knowledge of bills or accounts will be gladly given some by any member of this board.

In compliance with the vote of the town we have compiled the annual Town Report and submit the same.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT W. EATON,
ALBERT W. FLINT,
GEORGE W. LINNELL,

Auditors.

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